FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* HOWARD ERNEST E III						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SUPERIOR ENERGY SERVICES INC SPN]									lationship ck all appli Directo	cable)	g Per	son(s) to Iss		
															Officer	(give title		Other (specify	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1105 PETERS ROAD						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/24/2006									below)			below)		
(Street) HARVEY LA 70058					4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person						
(City)	ty) (State) (Zip)														Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				orting	
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																				
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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Da	Date,	4. Transa Code (I 8)		of		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		E	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	ly Or For Di	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisabl		xpiration ate	Title	Amou or Numl of Share	per						
Restricted Stock	(1)	05/24/2006			A		3,228		(2)		(2)	Common Stock	3,22	28	\$0	5,659		D		

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Each restricted stock unit represents a right to receive one share of the Issuer's common stock.
- 2. The restricted stock units vest immediately upon grant, but the shares of common stock payable upon vesting will not be delivered to the reporting person until he ceases to serve on the board of directors of the Issuer

William B. Masters on behalf of Ernest E. Howard, III

05/24/2006

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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