

Blueknight Energy Partners, L.P.  
 Form 4  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 CB-Blueknight, LLC

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 Blueknight Energy Partners, L.P.  
 [BKEP]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 200 CLARENDON STREET, FLOOR 54  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 11/12/2010

\_\_\_\_ Director  
 \_\_\_\_ Officer (give title below)  
 10% Owner  
 Other (specify below)  
 Director by Deputization

BOSTON, MA 02116

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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(City) (State) (Zip)

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) |     |       |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|-----|-------|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)  | Code  | V  | Amount                            | (D) | Price |

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

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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 | 2. Conversion | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if | 4. Transaction | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date |
|------------------------|---------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------|--|---|
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| Security (Instr. 3)                                | or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | any (Month/Day/Year) | Code (Instr. 8) | Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | (Month/Day/Year) |   |
|--|--|----------------------|-----------------|--------------------------------------|------------------|---|
|  |  |                      | Code V          | (A)                                  | (D)              | Date Exercisable Expiration Date                    |
| Subordinated Units <sup>(1)</sup> <sup>(2)</sup>   | <u>(2)</u>                               | 11/12/2010           | P               |                                      | 6,285,252        | <u>(2)</u> <u>(2)</u>                               |
| Subordinated Units <sup>(3)</sup>                  | <u>(3)</u>                               | 09/14/2011           | D               |                                      | 6,285,252        | <u>(2)</u> <u>(2)</u>                               |
| Series A Preferred Units <sup>(4)</sup>            | \$ 6.5                                   | 11/09/2011           | D               |                                      | 1,612,747        | <u>(5)</u> <u>(5)</u>                               |
| Convertible Subordinated Debentures <sup>(6)</sup> | <u>(6)</u>                               | 11/09/2011           | D               |                                      | 0 <u>(6)</u>     | 12/31/2011 <sup>(6)</sup> 12/31/2011 <sup>(6)</sup> |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |         |                          |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|--------------------------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other                    |
| CB-Blueknight, LLC<br>200 CLARENDON STREET<br>FLOOR 54<br>BOSTON, MA 02116                                |               | X         |         | Director by Deputization |
| CHARLESBANK CAPITAL PARTNERS LLC<br>200 CLARENDON STREET, FLOOR 54<br>BOSOTON, MA 02116                   |               | X         |         | Director by Deputization |
| Charlesbank Equity Fund VII GP, Limited Partnership<br>200 CLARENDON STREET, FLOOR 54<br>BOSTON, MA 02116 |               | X         |         | Director by Deputization |
| Charlesbank Equity Fund VII, Limited Partnership<br>200 CLARENDON STREET, FLOOR 54<br>BOSTON, MA 02116    |               | X         |         | Director by Deputization |

## Signatures

/s/ Jon M. Biotti, Jon M. Biotti, Managing Director of CB-Blueknight, LLC 09/27/2016  
\_\_Signature of Reporting Person Date

/s/ Jon M. Biotti, Jon M. Biotti, Managing Director of Charlesbank Capital Partners, LLC, general partner of Charlesbank Equity Fund VII GP, Limited Partnership, general partner of Charlesbank Equity Fund VII 09/27/2016  
\_\_Signature of Reporting Person Date

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/s/ Jon M. Biotti, Jon M. Biotti, Managing Director of Charlesbank Capital Partners, LLC,  
general partner of Charlesbank Equity Fund VII GP, Limited Partnership

09/27/2016

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person

Date

/s/ Jon M. Biotti, Jon M. Biotti, Managing Director of Charlesbank Capital Partners, LLC

09/27/2016

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* 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).
- (1) As previously disclosed in Blueknight Energy Partners, L.P.'s (the "Issuer") Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2010 (the "2010 Form 10-K"), pursuant to the Purchase, Sale & Co-Investment Agreement by and between CB-Blueknight, LLC ("Charlesbank Holding") and Blueknight Energy Holding, Inc. ("Vitol Holding") dated as of October 21, 2010, on November 12, 2010 Vitol Holding sold 6,285,252 Subordinated Units (the "Subordinated Units") of the Issuer to Charlesbank Holding.
- (2) As of November 12, 2010 and as of September 14, 2011, the Subordinated Units had no expiration date and were convertible on a one-for-one basis into Common Units representing limited partner interests of the Issuer ("Common Units") at the end of the subordination period, as set forth in the Issuer's Third Amended and Restated Agreement of Limited Partnership, dated as of October 25, 2010, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission as Exhibit 3.1 to the Issuer's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on October 25, 2010 (the "Form 8-K").
- (3) As previously disclosed in the Issuer's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on September 14, 2011, the outstanding Subordinated Units were cancelled on September 14, 2011 pursuant to the adoption of the Fourth Amended and Restated Agreement of Limited Partnership of the Issuer.
- (4) As previously disclosed in the Issuer's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended September 30, 2011 (the "2011 Third Quarter 10-Q"), on November 9, 2011, the Issuer repurchased 1,612,747 of the Series A Preferred Units representing limited partner interests of the Issuer (the "Preferred Units") for an aggregate of \$10,608,194.65 (being \$6.50 per Preferred Unit and \$0.078 per Preferred Unit as a pro-rata distribution amount) from each of Charlesbank Holding and Vitol Holding, after which each of Charlesbank Holding and Vitol Holding retained 9,156,484 Preferred Units.
- (5) The Preferred Units have no expiration date and are convertible at any time, in whole or in part, on a one-for-one basis into Common Units representing limited partner interests of the Issuer at the holder's election as set forth in the Fourth Amended and Restated Agreement of Limited Partnership of the Issuer, dated September 14, 2011 and filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission as Exhibit 3.1 to the Issuer's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on September 14, 2011.
- (6) As previously disclosed in the 2011 Third Quarter 10-Q, on November 9, 2011, the Issuer redeemed the Convertible Debenture for a price equal to its face value of \$25,000,000, plus the accrued and unpaid interest thereon. If not otherwise redeemed, the Convertible Debenture was to mature on December 31, 2011 and, on such date, all outstanding principal and any accrued and unpaid interest were to automatically convert into Preferred Units. The terms of the Convertible Debenture are described more fully in the Form 8-K.
- (7) As of each transaction date reported herein, these securities were owned directly by Charlesbank Holding. This form is jointly filed by Charlesbank Holding, Charlesbank Equity Fund VII, Limited Partnership ("Fund VII"), Charlesbank Equity Fund VII GP, Limited Partnership ("Equity VII GP") and Charlesbank Capital Partners, LLC ("Charlesbank"). Fund VII is the manager of Charlesbank Holding and may be deemed to indirectly beneficially own the securities of the Issuer held by Charlesbank Holding but disclaims beneficial ownership except to the extent of its pecuniary interest therein.
- (8) Equity VII GP is the general partner of Fund VII and may be deemed to indirectly beneficially own the securities of the Issuer held by Fund VII but disclaims beneficial ownership except to the extent of its pecuniary interest therein. Charlesbank is the general partner of Equity VII GP and therefore may be deemed to indirectly beneficially own the securities of the Issuer held by Equity VII GP, but disclaims beneficial ownership except to the extent of its pecuniary interest therein. Charlesbank serves as the investment advisor to Fund VII and the investment advisor or general partner to certain other affiliated funds that have a pecuniary interest in the securities of the Issuer owned by Charlesbank Holding but do not control Charlesbank Holding.

### Remarks:

Charlesbank Holding owns 50% of the equity interests in Blueknight GP Holding, LLC ("GP Holding"), which owns 100% of

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