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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 * DUNLAP DAVID D			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SUPERIOR ENERGY SERVICES INC [SPN]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last) 1001 LOUISI 2900	1 LOUISIANA STREET, SUITE		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/13/2017	_X Director 10% Owner Other (specify below) President and CEO		
HOUSTON,	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting		
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(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
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1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Ionth/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)				equired l of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	courities Ownership eneficially Form: Direct wned (D) or	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	(1115111 1)
Common Stock	01/13/2017		F(1)	13,512	. ,	\$ 18.03	414,942 (2)	D	
Common Stock	01/13/2017		A(3)	70,715	A	\$ 0	485,657	D	

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 Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount Underlying Securitie (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amour Numb Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 18.03	01/13/2017		A	152,512	01/15/2018(4)	01/15/2027	Common Stock	152,5

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
. 9	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
DUNLAP DAVID D 1001 LOUISIANA STREET, SUITE 2900	X		President and CEO				
HOUSTON, TX 77002	Λ		1 resident and CLO				

Signatures

/s/ William B. Masters, on behalf of David D. Dunlap, pursuant to a power of attorney 01/18/2017

**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) Shares withheld to cover taxes due upon the vesting of restricted stock and restricted stock units.
- (2) Includes 4101 shares of common stock purchased through the company's employee stock purchase plan as of 12/31/16.
- (3) Represents a grant of restricted stock units from the issuer.
- (4) The stock options are exercisable in 1/3 annual increments beginning on the date indicated and ending on the second anniversary thereof.

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