

Viper Energy Partners LP  
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**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 \*  
**WEST STEVEN E**  
 (Last) (First) (Middle)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**Viper Energy Partners LP [VNOM]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)

**C/O WEXFORD CAPITAL LP, 411 WEST PUTNAM AVE, SUITE 125**  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**08/27/2015**

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

**GREENWICH, CT 06830**  
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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**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 Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Units representing limited partner interests	08/27/2015		A <sup>(1)</sup>	4,938 <u>(1)</u>	A \$ 0 4,938	D <sup>(1)</sup>	

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 Derivative 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 of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Transaction (Instr. 5)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

## Reporting Owners

**Reporting Owner Name / Address**

**Relationships**

Director    10% Owner    Officer    Other

WEST STEVEN E  
C/O WEXFORD CAPITAL LP  
411 WEST PUTNAM AVE, SUITE 125  
GREENWICH, CT 06830

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## Signatures

Steven E. West                      09/01/2015

\_\_Signature of                      Date  
Reporting Person

## 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).

On August 27, 2015, the reporting person was granted 4,938 phantom units, of which 1,646 vested on the date of grant and will settle on August 27, 2015. The remaining 3,292 phantom units will vest and settle in two equal annual installments beginning on June 17, 2016.

- (1) Each phantom unit is the economic equivalent of one common unit representing a limited partner interest in the Issuer. These phantom units have been assigned to Wexford Capital LP under the terms of Mr. West's employment with Wexford Capital LP. As a result, Mr. West disclaims any pecuniary interest in these phantom units.

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