

Blueknight Energy Partners, L.P.  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
 Shapiro John A

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)  
 201 NW 10TH, SUITE 200  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 05/23/2016

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

OKLAHOMA CITY, OK 73103  
 (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)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
				Code	V	Amount	
Common units representing limited partner interests	05/23/2016		C	2,975 A	29,547	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 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. Amount or Number of Shares
Series A Preferred Units	(1)	05/23/2016		C	2,975	09/29/2011 (2)	Common units representing limited partner interests	2,975

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Shapiro John A 201 NW 10TH SUITE 200 OKLAHOMA CITY, OK 73103	X			

## Signatures

/s/ John A. Shapiro  
05/23/2016  
Date

\*\*Signature of 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).
- The reporting person converted 2,975 Series A Preferred Units on May 19, 2016 on a one-for-one basis, resulting in his acquisition of
- (1) 2,975 common units. The Series A Preferred units were convertible into common units at any time on a one-to-one basis and had no expiration date.
  - (2) Not applicable.

### Remarks:

Mr. Shapiro is a director of Blueknight Energy Partners G.P., L.L.C., the general partner of Blueknight Energy Partners, L.P.  
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