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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * ROBERTSON CORBIN J III | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NATURAL RESOURCE | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer | | | |
|--|--|---|--|--|--|
| | PARTNERS LP [NRP] | (Check all applicable) | | | |
| (Last) (First) (Middle) 601 JEFFERSON, SUITE 3600 | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/11/2014 | _X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) | | | |
| (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 | | | |
| HOUSTON, TX 77002 | | Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | |

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|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---|---|------------|------------------|--|---|---|---|
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) Tal | ole I - Non | -Derivativ | e Sec | urities Ac | cquired, Dispose | d of, or Benef | icially Owned |
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) | | | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
| | | | Code V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | (Instr. 4) | |
| Common Units (1) | 02/11/2014 | | M | 3,475 | A | <u>(1)</u> | 1,491,094 | D (2) | |
| Common Units (1) | 02/11/2014 | | D | 3,475 | D | \$ 15.81 (1) | 1,487,619 | D (2) | |
| Common Units | | | | | | | 387 | I | By Spouse (3) |
| Common Units | | | | | | | 50,461 | I | By The Corbin James Robertson III |

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| | | | Trust (4) |
|-----------------|--------|---|-------------------------------------|
| Common Units | 26,231 | I | By CIII Capital Management, LLC (5) |

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) | Securiti Acquire | es ed (A) or ed of (D) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | |
|---|---|--------------------------------------|---|---|---------------------|------------------------|--|--------------------|---|--|
| | | | | Code V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Phantom Units (6) | <u>(9)</u> | 02/11/2014 | | M | | 3,475 | 02/11/2014 | 02/11/2014 | Common Units | 3,475 |
| Phantom Units (6) | <u>(7)</u> <u>(8)</u> | | | | | | 02/10/2015 | 02/10/2015 | Common Units | 3,580 |
| Phantom Units (6) | <u>(7)</u> <u>(8)</u> | | | | | | 02/14/2016 | 02/14/2016 | Common Units | 3,700 |
| Phantom Units (6) | <u>(7)</u> <u>(8)</u> | | | | | | 02/13/2017 | 02/13/2017 | Common Units | 3,700 |
| Phantom Units (6) | <u>(7)</u> <u>(8)</u> | 02/12/2014 | | A | 3,885 | | 02/12/2018 | 02/12/2018 | Common Units | 3,885 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|--|--|
| 1 8 | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | |
| ROBERTSON CORBIN J III | | | | | | | |
| 601 JEFFERSON, SUITE 3600 | X | | | | | | |
| HOUSTON, TX 77002 | | | | | | | |

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Signatures

Corbin J.
Robertson III 02/13/2014

**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).
- The common units were deemed to have been purchased and sold on the date of vesting of the phantom units listed In Table II, which were paid in cash on a one for one basis based on the average closing price of the common units for the 20 trading days immediately preceding the date of vesting.
- (2) Corbin J. Robertson III shares beneficial ownership of 23,973 common units with his spouse, Brooke Robertson.
- (3) Corbin J. Robertson III disclaims beneficial ownership of these common units, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that Corbin J. Robertson III is the beneficial owner of such common units for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.
- The beneficiary of The Corbin James Robertson III 2009 Family Trust is the family of Corbin J. Robertson III. Corbin J. Robertson III is (4) the Trust Advisor for The Corbin James Robertson III 2009 Family Trust and may be deemed to beneficially own the common units owned by The Corbin James Robertson III 2009 Family Trust.
- (5) Corbin J. Robertson III is the controlling Manager of CIII Capital Management, LLC and may be deemed to beneficially own the common units owned by CIII Capital Management, LLC.
- (6) The phantom units were granted to the reporting person under the issuer's long-term incentive plan.
- (7) Award includes tandem distribution equivalent rights pursuant to which the quarterly distributions paid by the partnership on each unit will be accrued over the vesting period and paid on vesting.
- (8) The phantom units will be paid in cash based on the average closing price of the common units for the 20 trading days immediately prior to the date of vesting.
- (9) As described in Footnote 1, upon vesting, the phantom units were paid in cash on a one for one basis based on the average closing price of the common units for the 20 trading days immediately preceding the date of vesting.

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