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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement Allis Chalmers Energy Inc. [ALY] A Kelly Thomas Espy (Month/Day/Year) 01/14/2005 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 405 N. MARIENFIELD, #200 (Check all applicable) (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) 10% Owner _X__ Director _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Officer Other Person MIDLAND, TXÂ 79701 (give title below) (specify below) Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 2. Amount of Securities 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) D Â Common Stock 117,138

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

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | 2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | | 4. Conversion or Exercise Price of | 5. Ownership Form of Derivative | f (Instr. 5) |
|--|--|--------------------|--|------------------------|------------------------------------|--|--------------|
| | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of | Derivative Security | Security: Direct (D) or Indirect | |

Shares

(I) (Instr. 5)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Kelly Thomas Espy

405 N. MARIENFIELD, #200 Â X Â Â

MIDLAND, TXÂ 79701

Signatures

/s/ Thomas E. 01/24/2005 Kelly

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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