

Hicks Karen Z
Form 4
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FORM 4

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

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1(b).

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Hicks Karen Z

(Last) (First) (Middle)

2225 11TH AVE.

(Street)

HELENA, MT 59601

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol

Energy Transfer Partners, L.P. [ETP]

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

12/20/2005

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

V.P. - Admin. & Controller

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
__X__ Form filed by One Reporting Person
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Person

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Units	12/20/2005		A		1,000	A	11 5,300
Common Units							210

Held as
custodian
for the
benefit of
the
reporting
person's
children.

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. Pr Deriv Secu (Instr	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Common Units	(2)	12/20/2005		M	1,000	(1)	(1)	Common Units	1,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
Hicks Karen Z 2225 11TH AVE. HELENA, MT 59601	V.P. - Admin. & Controller

Signatures

/s/ Robert A. Burk, by Power of
Attorney

12/21/2005

**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) Issuance of common units for that portion of the September 1, 2004 award to the reporting person under the Energy Transfer Partners, L.P. Unit Plan that vested on September 1, 2005 upon the attainment by the issuer of certain performance criteria related to the award.
- (2) Each restricted common unit awarded under the Energy Transfer Partners, L.P. 2004 Unit Plan represents a contingent right to receive one common unit upon vesting.

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