

ENERGY PARTNERS LTD  
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**FORM 4**

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

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
CARTER HAROLD D

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O ENERGY PARTNERS,  
LTD., 201 ST. CHARLES AVENUE

(Street)

NEW ORLEANS, LA 70170

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
ENERGY PARTNERS LTD [EPL]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
05/04/2006

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting 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 Stock	04/04/2006		G <sup>(1)</sup>	V	19,093	D	\$ 0
Common Stock	05/04/2006		A		3,000 <sup>(2)</sup>	A	\$ 0
Common Stock	05/04/2006		A		649	A	\$ 26.95
Common Stock	04/04/2006		G <sup>(3)</sup>	V	19,093	A	\$ 0

By HDBC Investments, Limited

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
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 26.8	05/04/2006		A	6,500	( <sup>2</sup> ) 05/04/2016	Common Stock	6,500

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
CARTER HAROLD D C/O ENERGY PARTNERS, LTD. 201 ST. CHARLES AVENUE NEW ORLEANS, LA 70170	X			

## Signatures

John H. Peper, Attorney  
in Fact 05/08/2006

\_\_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).

(3) The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of the common stock held by HDBC Investments, Limited, except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.

(1) The reporting person transferred these shares to HDBC Investments, Limited, a limited partnership of which the reporting person is a limited partner and of which the reporting person, directly or indirectly, owns a 42.5% interest. The remaining interests in the limited partnership are owned by the reporting person's wife and children.

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(2) The shares will vest ratably over one year.

(4) Not applicable

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