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## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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| Name and Address of Reporting Person*     Griffis David L.   |  |         |   | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Oiltanking Partners, L.P. [OILT] |  |   |  |   |                  |                   |                    | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issue (Check all applicable) |   |   |   | suer           |  |  |         |
|--|--|---------|---|--|--|---|--|---|------------------|-------------------|--------------------|--|---|---|---|----------------|--|--|---------|
| ,  |  |         |   |  | 3. Da  | Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) |  |   |                  |                   |                    |  |   | X   |   | er (give title |  |  | specify |
| (Last) (First) (Middle) 15631 JACINTOPORT BLVD.  |  |         |   |  |  | 08/07/2013                                    |  |   |                  |                   |                    |  |   | belov   | N)  |                | below)   |  |         |
| (Street) HOUSTON TX 77015  |  |         |   | 4. If .  | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) |   |  |   |                  |                   |                    |  | 6. Indi                                       | X Form filed by One Reporting Person  |   |                |  |  |         |
| (City)   | (Sta   | ate) (2 | Zip)                                    |  |  | Form filed by More than One Reporting Person  |  |   |                  |                   |                    |  |   |   | orting  |                |  |  |         |
|  |  | Tabl    | e I - No                                | n-Deriv  | ative  | Sec   | uritie   | s Acc                                     | quired,          | Dis               | posed o            | f, or E  | Benef   | icially   | Owne  | ed             |  |  |         |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transact Date (Month/Date  |  |         |   | Execution Date,  |  | Transaction Disposed C                        |  | ies Acquired (A) o<br>Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 |                  | or<br>4 and 5)    | Securi<br>Benefi   | cially<br>d Following  | 6. Owne<br>Form: D<br>(D) or In<br>(I) (Instr | irect<br>direct   | 7. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |                |  |  |         |
|  |  |         |   |  |  |   | Code   | v   | Amount           | (A) or<br>(D) Pri |                    | ice  | Transa  | action(s)<br>3 and 4)   |   |                | (msu. 4)   |  |         |
| Common Units 08/07/2   |  |         |   |  | 2013   | 013 P <sup>(1)</sup> 103 A \$4                |  | 48.493                                    |                  | 8,762             |                    |  |   |   |   |                |  |  |         |
|  | Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) |         |   |  |  |   |  |   |                  |                   |                    |  |   |   |   |                |  |  |         |
| Title of Derivative Security  1. Title of Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security  1. Title of Conversion Date (Month/Day/Year)  1. Title of Date Execution Date (Month/Day/Year)  1. Title of Conversion Date (Month/Day/Year)  2. Conversion Date (Month/Day/Year)  3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)  3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)  3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)  3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) |  | n Date, | 4.<br>Transaction<br>Code (Instr.<br>8) |  |  |   | 6. Date Exercisable<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) |   | te               | Amount of         |                    | Deri<br>Sec<br>(Ins  | rice of<br>vative<br>urity<br>tr. 5)          | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4) | Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) |                | 11. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |  |         |
|  |  |         |   |  | Code   | v   | (A)  | (D)                                       | Date<br>Exercisa |                   | Expiration<br>Date | Title  | Amou<br>or<br>Numb<br>of<br>Share             | er  |   |                |  |  |         |

## Explanation of Responses:

1. The transaction reported on this Form 4 was executed pursuant to a unit purchase plan in compliance with Rule 10b5-1 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

## Remarks:

/s/ Donna Hymel, as attorney-

08/07/2013

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\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

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