FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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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 Issuer (Check all applicable)					
(Last) (First) (Middle) 15631 JACINTOPORT BLVD.						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/07/2012								X					specify
(Street) HOUST((4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								5. Indiv _ine) X	idual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable 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/						Execution Date,		Date,	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) 4. Securities Disposed Of			s Acquir of (D) (Ins	ed (A) or str. 3, 4 an	and 5) Secu Bene		icially d Following	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		Transa	action(s) 3 and 4)			(mour 4)
Common Units 03/07/20						012			P ⁽¹⁾		131	A	\$30.4	4497		6,793	D		
	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)	titve Conversion Date Execution Date, ity or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any			4. Transa Code (I 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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)				9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	(D) irect	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercis	able	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares						

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.

/s/ Donna Hymel, as attorneyin-fact

03/08/2012

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- * 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).

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