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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Ado Pearson Thoma			me and Tio source Pa		Р	6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)						
(Last) (First) (Middle)				orting	ntification g Person, voluntary)	Numbe	Mo	Statement for onth/Day/Year 24/03	<u>X</u> 0 <u>S</u>	_ Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) Senior Vice President-Law and		
(Street) Tulsa, OK 74119							Da			Administration 7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(City)	(State) ((Zip)	ſ	fable	I Non-I	Derivat	Dispose	posed of, or Beneficially Owned				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Trans- action Date (Month/ Day/ Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date,	3. Trans action ((Instr. 8 Code	Code	4. Securitie (A) or Disj (Instr. 3, 4) Amount	es Acqu posed c	uired	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Follow- ing Reported Transactions(s) (Instr. 3 & 4)		6. Owner- ship Form:	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial	
Common Unit									9,971	D		

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).

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FORM 4 (continued) Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned														
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)														
1. Title of	2. Conver-	3. Trans-	3A.	4.	5.	6. Date Exercisable	7. Title and	8. Price of	9. Number of	10.	11. Nature			
Derivative	sion or	action	Deemed	Trans-	Number	and Expiration	Amount of	Derivative	Derivative	Owner-	of Indirect			
Security	Exercise	Date	Execution	action	of	Date	Underlying	Security	Securities	ship	Beneficial			
	Price of		Date,	Code	Derivative	(Month/Day/	Securities	(Instr. 5)	Beneficially	Form	Ownership			
(Instr. 3)	Derivative	(Month/	if any		Securities	Year)	(Instr. 3 & 4)		Owned	of Deriv-	(Instr. 4)			
	Security	Day/	(Month/	(Instr.	Acquired				Following	ative				
		Year)	Day/	8)	(A) or				Reported	Security:				

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			Year)			Dispos of (D) (Instr. 4 & 5)	3,						Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	
				Code	v	(A)		Date Exer-cisable	Expira- tion Date		Amount or Number of Shares		(Instr. 4)	
Phantom unit	1 for 1							(1)		Common Unit		7,180	D	
Restricted unit	1 for 1							(2)	—	Common Unit		25,200	D	
Restricted unit	1 for 1	3/24/03 ⁽³⁾		Α		9,000		(4)		Common Unit	9,000	9,000	D	

Explanation of Responses:

(1) The Phantom units are to be settled in either cash or ARLP common units, at the election of the Compensation Committee, upon the reporting person's death or termination.

(2) The Restricted units will vest when the issuer meets certain financial test described int he Agreement of Limited Partnerhip of the Issuer which would typically be no earlier than September 30, 2004. Once vested the restricted units are to be settled in either cash or ARLP common units, at the election of the Compensation Committee.

(3) The transaction was approved by the Managing GP's Compensation Committee on March 24, 2003, effective January 1, 2003.

(4) The Restricted units will vest on September 30, 2005 provided that the issuer meets certain financial tests and the subordination period described in the Agreement of Limited Partnership ends. Once vested the restricted units are to be settled in either cash or ARLP common units, at the election of the Compensation Committee.

By: /s/ Thomas L. Pearson

March 24, 2003 Date

**Signature of Reporting Person

**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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