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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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Form 5 obligations may continue.

See Instruction 1(b).

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 *

Masters William B

(Last) (First) (Middle)

601 POYDRAS STREET, SUITE

2400

(Street)

NEW ORLEANS, LA 70130

(City)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Issuer

Symbol SUPERIOR ENERGY SERVICES INC [SPN]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 01/01/2012

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

_X__ Officer (give title

below) Executive VP & General Counsel

(Check all applicable)

10% Owner

_ Other (specify

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6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Director

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(State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any	3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or	Indirect Beneficial	
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)				Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership
					(A) or		Following Reported Transaction(s)	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount		Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	01/01/2012		F(1)	2,669	D	\$ 28.44	43,511 (2)	D	

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)

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)		ate	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(Instr. 3, 4, and 5) (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title N	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Masters William B 601 POYDRAS STREET SUITE 2400 NEW ORLEANS, LA 70130

Executive VP & General Counsel

Signatures

/s/ William B.

Masters 01/04/2012

**Signature of Date

Reporting Person

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) Shares withheld to cover taxes due upon the vesting of restricted stock.
- (2) Includes 1,663 shares of common stock purchased through the company's employee stock purchase plan as of November 30, 2011.

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