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

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Coker Dennis F

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

NATURAL RESOURCE PARTNERS LP [NRP]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

(Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 02/12/2013

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

below)

Vice President - Aggregates

601 JEFFERSON STREET, SUITE 3600

(Street)

(State)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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HOUSTON, TX 77002

(City)

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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. Securi on(A) or D (Instr. 3,	ispose	d of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
Common Units (1)	02/12/2013		M	5,000	A	(1)	5,400	D	
Common Units (1)	02/12/2013		D	5,000	D	\$ 22.01 (1)	400	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)

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 orDerivative 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)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Phantom Units (2)	<u>(5)</u>	02/12/2013		M		5,000	02/12/2013	02/12/2013	Common Units	5,000
Phantom Units (2)	(3) (4)						02/11/2014	02/11/2014	Common Units	5,000
Phantom Units (2)	(3) (4)						02/10/2015	02/10/2015	Common Units	7,000
Phantom Units (2)	(3) (4)						02/14/2016	02/14/2016	Common Units	8,500
Phantom Units (2)	(3) (4)	02/13/2013		A	8,500		02/13/2017	02/13/2017	Common Units	8,500

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Coker Dennis F

601 JEFFERSON STREET

SUITE 3600

HOUSTON, TX 77002

Vice President - Aggregates

Signatures

Dennis F. Coker 02/13/2013 **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).
- The common units were deemed to have been purchased and sold on the date of vesting of the phantom units listed in Table II, which (1) were paid in cash on a one for one basis based on the average closing price of the common units for the 20 trading days immediately preceding the date of vesting.
- (2) The phantom units were granted to the reporting person under the issuer's long term incentive plan.

(3)

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The phantom units will be paid in cash based on the average closing price of the common units for the 20 trading days immediately preceding the date of vesting.

- (4) Award includes tandem distribution equivalent rights pursuant to which the quarterly distributions paid by the partnership on each unit will be accrued over the vesting period and paid on vesting.
- As described in Footnote 1, upon vesting, the phantom units were paid in cash on a one for one basis based on the average closing price of the common units for the 20 trading days immediately preceding the date of vesting.

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