

STACHE MICHAEL LEE
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 STACHE MICHAEL LEE

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 STONEMOR PARTNERS LP
 [STON]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 12/16/2009

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 Senior Vice President and COO

C/O STONEMOR PARTNERS,
 L.P., 311 VETERANS HIGHWAY,
 SUITE B

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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LEVITTOWN, PA 19056

(City) (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)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				(A) or (D)	Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Unit Appreciation Right	\$ 18.8 ⁽¹⁾	12/16/2009		A	75,000	⁽²⁾	⁽³⁾	Common Units	⁽⁴⁾

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
STACHE MICHAEL LEE C/O STONEMOR PARTNERS, L.P. 311 VETERANS HIGHWAY, SUITE B LEVITTOWN, PA 19056			Senior Vice President and COO	

Signatures

/s/ Shirley Herman,
Attorney-in-Fact

12/17/2009

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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) The reporting person was granted 75,000 Unit Appreciation Rights ("UARs") pursuant to a Unit Appreciation Rights Agreement (the "Agreement"), dated as of December 16, 2009, under the StoneMor Partners L.P. Long-Term Incentive Plan, between the reporting person and StoneMor GP LLC, the general partner of StoneMor Partners L.P. All of the UARs granted pursuant to the Agreement vest pursuant to a formula set forth in the Agreement.
- (2) The UARs may be exercised only after vesting and to the extent vested. See Footnote 1. The exercise of UARs may be subject to approval by the limited partners of the issuer as required by the NASDAQ listing rules.
- (3) The UARs expire 5 years after the date of grant of December 16, 2009.
- (4) Upon exercise of the UARs, the reporting person will receive the number of whole common units determined by a formula set forth in the Agreement.

Remarks:

The filing of this statement shall not be construed as an admission (a) that the person filing this statement is, for the purposes of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, an issuer, promoter, underwriter, or a person who is in any way directly or indirectly participating in the offer or sale of securities, or (b) that the person filing this statement is, for the purposes of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, a dealer in securities or a broker, or (c) that the person filing this statement is, for the purposes of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, an issuer of securities.

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