Spark Energy, Inc. Form 4 March 20, 2017

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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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)

(Last)

(City)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * LANE ROBERT LAWRENCE

> (First) (Middle)

12140 WICKCHESTER LANE. SUITE 100

(Street)

HOUSTON, TX 77079

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

Spark Energy, Inc. [SPKE]

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

03/16/2017

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

Vice President and CFO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3)

(State)

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

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

(Zip)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code (Instr. 8)

Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(A)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I) (Instr. 4)

Ownership (Instr. 4)

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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

Conversion or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if any

4. 5. Number Transactionof Code

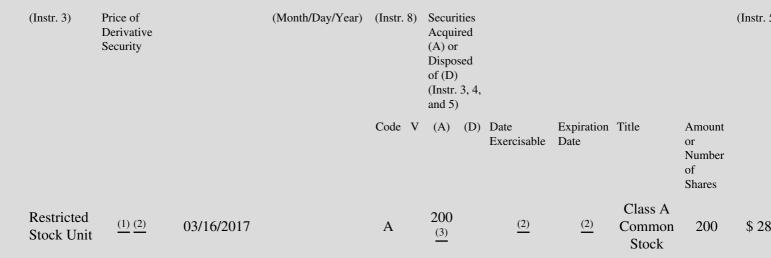
6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** Derivative (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of 8. Price Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

LANE ROBERT LAWRENCE 12140 WICKCHESTER LANE SUITE 100 HOUSTON, TX 77079

Vice President and CFO

Signatures

By Gil Melman, attorney-in-fact for Robert Lane

03/20/2017

Date

**Signature of 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).
- Each restricted stock unit ("RSU") represents a right to receive, upon vesting, one share of Class A Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per (1) share (the "Class A Common Stock"), of Spark Energy, Inc., cash, or a combination of both. Each RSU includes tandem dividend equivalents which will vest upon the same schedule referenced in Footnote 2.
- (2) Each of these RSUs vests and pays out upon vesting and payout of the underlying award of RSUs to which the dividend equivalent relates.
- (3) These RSUs accrued on outstanding RSUs held by the reporting person as a result of a dividend equivalent payment made to the holder when the Company paid its most recent quarterly dividend on the Class A Common Stock.
- (4) Balance includes original grants of RSUs and dividend equivalents issued in additional RSUs.

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