

Energy Transfer Equity, L.P.

Form 4

April 21, 2016

**FORM 4****UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Brannon Richard D

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O CH4 ENERGY III, LLC, 421  
W. 3RD ST., SUITE 750

(Street)

FORT WORTH, TX 76102

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol  
Energy Transfer Equity, L.P. [ETE]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
04/19/2016

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
☐ Form filed by More than One Reporting  
Person

**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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Units	04/19/2016		A	(A) or (D) 2,500 (1)	\$ 0 40,900	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. 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
SERIES A CONVERTIBLE PREFERRED UNITS	\$ 6.56 <sup>(2)</sup>					<sup>(3)</sup>	<sup>(3)</sup>	Common Units	<sup>(2)</sup>

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Brannon Richard D C/O CH4 ENERGY III, LLC 421 W. 3RD ST., SUITE 750 FORT WORTH, TX 76102	X			

## Signatures

Sonia Aube, Attorney-in-fact for Mr. Brannon

04/21/2016

          \*\*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) A grant of 2,500 ETE restricted units awarded to the reporting person upon his appointment to the board of directors of LE GP, LLC the general partner of Energy Transfer Equity, L.P. and his subsequent independence determination. These units will vest 60% on the third anniversary of the grant and 40% on the fifth anniversary of the grant contingent only upon his continued service on the board.

(2) On the Conversion Date, each Convertible Unit will automatically convert into common units, the number of which will be determined by dividing (a) the Conversion Value (as defined below) on that date by (b) \$6.56. The conversion value of each Convertible Unit (the "Conversion Value") on the transaction date is zero, and the Conversion Value will increase each fiscal quarter in an amount equal to \$0.285 less the cash distribution actually paid with respect to each Convertible Unit for such quarter (or, if prior to the closing of the Partnership's acquisition of The Williams Companies, Inc., or earlier termination of the merger agreement relating to such acquisition, with respect to each Participating Common Unit (as defined below)).

(3) The Series A Convertible Preferred Units (the "Convertible Units") representing limited partner interests in Energy Transfer Equity, L.P. (the "Partnership") will automatically convert on the first business day following the date that is the earliest of (a) May 18, 2018, (b) the date upon which all Convertible Units would be convertible into 136,612,021 common units representing limited partner interests in the Partnership ("common units"), (c) the date of a change of control of the Partnership or (d) the date of a dissolution of the Partnership (the

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"Conversion Date").

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