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

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 * Craig Kevin J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Issuer

NATURAL RESOURCE

PARTNERS LP [NRP]

(Check all applicable)

VP Business Development

(Last) (First) (Middle)

(Street)

(State)

P. O. BOX 2827, 1035 THIRD **AVENUE, SUITE 300**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

02/22/2008

4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

HUNTINGTON, WV 25727

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

Person

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

(Zip)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Securities Form: Direct Indirect Beneficially (D) or Owned Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) Following

Beneficial

Ownership

(Instr. 4)

Reported (A) Transaction(s)

or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

Common Units

(City)

850 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. Number proof 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
Phantom Units (1)	(2) (3)	02/22/2008		A	4,500	02/22/2012	02/22/2012	Common Units	4,500
Phantom Units (1)	<u>(2)</u>					02/13/2011	02/13/2011	Common Units	4,000
Phantom Units (1)	<u>(2)</u>					02/13/2010	02/13/2010	Common Units	3,000
Phantom Units (1)	<u>(2)</u>					02/14/2009	02/14/2009	Common Units	2,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationsnips					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		

Craig Kevin J P. O. BOX 2827 1035 THIRD AVENUE, SUITE 300 HUNTINGTON, WV 25727

VP Business Development

Signatures

Kevin J. Craig 02/26/2008

**Signature of 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 phantom units were granted to the reporting person under the issuer's long term plan.
- (2) 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.
- (3) 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.

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