FORM 3

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

## INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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or section 3u(n) or the investment Company Act or 1940														
Name and Address of Reporting Person*     Molnar Paul				vent Requiring Year) B	Statement	3. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol Viper Energy Partners LP [ VNOM ]								
(Last) 500 WEST TEXAS	(First)	(Middle)				Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)     Director			10% Owner		5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)			
SUITE 1200							X Officer (give title below)  Exec VP Expl. & Bus.		Other (specify below)		Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     X Form filed by One Reporting Person			
(Street) MIDLAND	TX	79701										Form filed by Mor	re than One Reporting Person	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)												
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned														
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)					2. Amount o (Instr. 4)	f Securities Beneficially Owned	3	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)		4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)				
Common Units representing limited partner interests							18,487		D					
Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)														
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4) 2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month)Day/Year)					ate	(Instr. 4) Exercise Prof Derivative			4. Conversion Exercise Pri	ce F	i. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or ndirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)		
				Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title			Amount or Number of Shares	Security				

Explanation of Responses:

Remarks:

/s/ Randall J. Holder, as attorney-in-fact for

Paul Molnar

02/21/2018

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5 (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).

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  LIMITED POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR SECTION 13 AND SECTION 16 FILINGS

  I, Paul S. Molnar, of Viper Energy Partners LP, do hereby make, constitute and appoint Randall J. Holder and Teresa L. Dick, and each of them acting individually References in this limited power of attorney to "my Attorney" are to each of the persons named above and to the person or persons substituted hereunder pursuant I hereby grant to my Attorney, for me and in my name, place and stead, the power:

  1. To execute for and on my behalf, in my capacity as a unitholder of Viper Energy Partners LP, a Delaware limited partnership (the "Company"), any Schedule 13D and

  2. To execute for and on my behalf, in my capacity as an officer, director and/or unitholder of the Company, Form 3, Form 4, and Form 5, and all and any amendments 1

  3. To do and to perform any and all acts for and on my behalf that may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such Schedule 13D, Schedule 13G, Form 3,

  4. To take any other action of any type whatsoever that, in the opinion of my Attorney, may be necessary or desirable in connection with the foregoing grant of author I hereby grant to my Attorney full power and authority to do and to perform any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary, or proper to be done in This limited power of attorney shall remain in full force and effect until I am no longer required to file any Schedule 13D, Schedule 13G, Form 3, Form 4 or Form IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand to this instrument on the date first above written.

/s/ Paul Molnar Paul S. Molnar

STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF MIDLAND

Before me, on this day personally appeared Paul S. Molnar, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument and acknowledged to Given under my hand and seal of office this 19th day of June 2017.

Notary Public
My Commission Expires: 11/04/2017
[Affix Notary Seal]