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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Diamondback Energy, Inc. Issuer Symbol Viper Energy Partners LP [VNOM] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) _X__ 10% Owner Director Officer (give title __X_ Other (specify 500 WEST TEXAS AVENUE, 08/01/2016 below) below) **SUITE 1200** Director by deputization (Street) 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

MIDLAND, TX 1200

interests

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	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 Appropriate Amount	of (D)	ed (A)	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 representing limited partner	08/01/2016		P	2,000,000 (1) (2)	A	\$ 15.6	72,450,000	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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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
copyring of the runney running	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Diamondback Energy, Inc. 500 WEST TEXAS AVENUE, SUITE 1200 MIDLAND, TX 1200		X		Director by deputization		

Signatures

/s/ Randall J. Holder, as Vice President, General Counsel and 08/03/2016 Secretary

> **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).
- As of the date hereof, Diamondback Energy, Inc. owns 84% of the limited partner interests of Viper Energy Partners LP (the "Issuer") and a 100% limited liability company interest in Viper Energy Partners GP LLC, which owns a non-economic general partner interest in
- the Issuer. The Reporting Person may be deemed to be a director by deputization as a result of its ability to appoint the directors of Viper Energy Partners GP LLC.
- On August 1, 2016, Diamondback Energy, Inc. purchased 2,000,000 common units from the underwriters in an underwritten public offering by the Issuer at \$15.60 per unit, which is the price per common unit paid by the underwriters to the Issuer.

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