FORM 3

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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## INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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Cools David Daves			ate of Event Reement (Month/13/2022		3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  VAALCO ENERGY INC /DE/ [ EGY ]					
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	=		Relationship of Reporting Person(s) (Check all applicable)	,		5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)		
9800 RICHMOND AVENUE, SUITE 700  (Street)				X Director Officer (give title below)	10% Owner Other (speci below)		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person			
HOUSTON	TX	77042						Form filed by Person	/ More than One Reporting	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)								
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned										
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)				1 -	Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)		4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)		
Common Stock, par value \$0.10					69,871	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)		d 3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlyin Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversio or Exercis	(D) or	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)		
		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Derivative Security	Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)			
Deferred Share	Unit		(1)	(1)	Common Stock, par value \$0.10	278,555	(1)	D		

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. The reporting person's deferred share units ("DSU") represent the right of such reporting person to receive the fair market value of the indicated number of shares of common stock, par value \$0.10 per share, of VAALCO Energy, Inc. on the Distribution Date (as defined below). DSUs are vested upon grant and will be paid within 30 days following the date of retirement or death of the reporting person (the "Distribution Date").

/s/ David Cook

10/14/202

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- $^{\star}$  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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