FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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| (Print or Ty | pe Responses | s) | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|--------------|--|---|---|---------|--|--|--|---|---|--------------------------------------|--|---|------------------------|
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Chapoton O Don | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol VAALCO ENERGY INC /DE/ [EGY] | | | | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner | | | | |
| (Last) (First) (Middle) 3711 SAN FELIPE, #13-C | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/26/2011 | | | | | Office | r (give title belo | ow) | Other (specify b | elow) | | |
| (Street) | | | | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) | | | | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | | |
| HOUSTON, TX 77027 (City) (State) (Zip) | | | Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acqu | | | | | ured, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned | | | | | | |
| (Instr. 3) | | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if | Code (Instr. 8) | | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | of (D) | Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) | | 6. Ownership Form: | Beneficial | | |
| | | | | Code | V | Amour | (A) or (D) | Price | (Instr. 3 a | nd 4) | | ` / | Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
| Common | Stock | | 01/26/2011 | | S | | 20,00 | 0 D | \$ 7.4 | 20,000 | | | D | |
| | | | | Derivative Securit | | cont the f | ained in orm dis | n this for splays a c | m are curre eficial | e not requ ntly valid | | spond unle trol numbe | ss | 1474 (9-02) |
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| Security | | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Y | Year) Execution Da | (Year) 4. 5. Number Code of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | | and I (Mon | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | Ame Und Seco | itle and ount of derlying urities tr. 3 and | Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) | Ownersh Form of Derivativ Security Direct (I or Indire | Ownershi (Instr. 4) |
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exer | | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | | | |

Reporting Owners

| D (O N (| Relationships | | | | | |
|---|---------------|--------------|---------|-------|--|--|
| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | |
| Chapoton O Don 3711 SAN FELIPE #13-C HOUSTON, TX 77027 | X | | | | | |

Signatures

| // O. Don Chapoton | 01/27/2011 |
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| **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).

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