

CARVER HOWARD L  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
CARVER HOWARD L

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
STONEMOR PARTNERS LP  
[STON]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
12/16/2009

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

C/O STONEMOR PARTNERS  
L.P., 311 VETERANS HIGHWAY,  
SUITE B

(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

LEVITTOWN, PA 19056

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

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 Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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 Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				(A) or (D)	Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of 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
Unit Appreciation Right	\$ 18.8 <sup>(1)</sup>	12/16/2009		A	15,000	<sup>(2)</sup>	<sup>(3)</sup>	Common Units	<sup>(4)</sup>

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
CARVER HOWARD L C/O STONEMOR PARTNERS L.P. 311 VETERANS HIGHWAY, SUITE B LEVITTOWN, PA 19056	X			

## Signatures

/s/ Shirley Herman, Attorney-in-Fact	01/06/2010
<u>        </u> **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).
- (1) The reporting person was granted 15,000 Unit Appreciation Rights ("UARs") pursuant to a Director Unit Appreciation Rights Agreement (the "Agreement"), dated as of December 16, 2009, under the StoneMor Partners L.P. Long Term Incentive Plan, between the reporting person and StoneMor GP LLC. All of the UARs granted pursuant to the Agreement vest pursuant to a formula set forth in the Agreement.
- (2) The UARs may be exercised only after vesting and to the extent vested. See Footnote 1. The exercise of UARs may be subject to approval by the limited partners of the issuer as required by the NASDAQ listing rules.
- (3) The UARs expire 5 years after the date of grant of December 16, 2009.
- (4) Upon exercise of the UARs, the reporting person will receive the number of whole common units determined by the formula set forth in the Agreement.

### Remarks:

The filing of this statement shall not be construed as an admission (a) that the person filing this statement is, for the purpose of

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