

Kosmos Energy Ltd.
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FORM 4

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

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Blackstone Holdings III L.P.

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O THE BLACKSTONE GROUP
L.P., 345 PARK AVENUE

(Street)

NEW YORK, NY 10154

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
Kosmos Energy Ltd. [KOS]

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

01/18/2017

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Shares	01/18/2017		S	12,643,161 D	\$ 6.58 77,781,209 (1)	I	See Footnotes (2) (7) (8) (9) (10)
Common Shares	01/18/2017		S	206,185 D	\$ 6.58 1,268,459 (1)	I	See Footnotes (3) (7) (8) (9) (10)
Common Shares	01/18/2017		S	334,865 D	\$ 6.58 2,060,103 (1)	I	See Footnotes (4) (7) (8) (9) (10)

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Common Shares	01/18/2017	S	278,037	D	\$ 6.58 (1)	1,710,492	I	See Footnotes (5) (7) (8) (9) (10)
Common Shares	01/18/2017	S	37,752	D	\$ 6.58 (1)	232,249	I	See Footnotes (6) (7) (8) (9) (10)

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)

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)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 6)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Blackstone Holdings III L.P. C/O THE BLACKSTONE GROUP L.P. 345 PARK AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10154		X		
BLACKSTONE MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATES CAYMAN IV LP C/O THE BLACKSTONE GROUP L.P. 345 PARK AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10154		X		
BLACKSTONE FAMILY GP LLC C/O THE BLACKSTONE GROUP L.P.		X		

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Signatures

BLACKSTONE HOLDINGS III L.P., By: Blackstone Holdings III GP L.P., its general partner, By: Blackstone Holdings III GP Management L.L.C., its general partner, By: /s/ John G. Finley, Name: John G. Finley, Title: Chief Legal Officer 01/20/2017

__Signature of Reporting Person Date

BLACKSTONE MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATES (CAYMAN) IV L.P., By: BCP IV GP L.L.C., its general partner, By: /s/ John G. Finley, Name: John G. Finley, Title: Chief Legal Officer 01/20/2017

__Signature of Reporting Person Date

BLACKSTONE FAMILY GP L.L.C., By: /s/ John G. Finley, Name: John G. Finley, Title: Chief Legal Officer 01/20/2017

__Signature of Reporting Person Date

BLACKSTONE HOLDINGS III GP L.P., By: Blackstone Holdings III GP Management L.L.C., its general partner, By: /s/ John G. Finley, Name: John G. Finley, Title: Chief Legal Officer 01/20/2017

__Signature of Reporting Person Date

BLACKSTONE HOLDINGS III GP MANAGEMENT L.L.C., By: /s/ John G. Finley, Name: John G. Finley, Title: Chief Legal Officer 01/20/2017

__Signature of Reporting Person Date

THE BLACKSTONE GROUP L.P., By: Blackstone Group Management L.L.C., its general partner, By: /s/ John G. Finley, Name: John G. Finley, Title: Chief Legal Officer 01/20/2017

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BLACKSTONE GROUP MANAGEMENT L.L.C., By: /s/ John G. Finley, Name: John G. Finley, Title: Chief Legal Officer

01/20/2017

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

/s/ Stephen A. Schwarzman

01/20/2017

__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) This amount represents the \$6.65 public offering price per common share, par value \$0.01 per share (the "Common Shares"), of Kosmos Energy Ltd. (the "Issuer"), less the underwriting discount of \$0.07 per Common Share.
- (2) These Common Shares are held by Blackstone Capital Partners (Cayman) IV L.P. ("BCP Cayman IV").
- (3) These Common Shares are held by Blackstone Capital Partners (Cayman) IV-A L.P. ("BCP Cayman IV-A").
- (4) These Common Shares are held by Blackstone Family Investment Partnership (Cayman) IV-A L.P. ("BFIP").
- (5) These Common Shares are held by Blackstone Family Investment Partnership (Cayman) IV-A SMD L.P. ("BFIP SMD").
- (6) These Common Shares are held by Blackstone Participation Partnership (Cayman) IV L.P. ("BPP", together with BCP Cayman IV, BCP Cayman IV-A, BFIP and BFIP SMD, the "Blackstone Funds").

The general partner of BFIP SMD is Blackstone Family GP L.L.C., which is wholly owned by Blackstone's senior managing directors and controlled by Mr. Stephen A. Schwarzman, its founder. The general partner of BCP Cayman IV and BCP Cayman IV-A is Blackstone Management Associates (Cayman) IV L.P. ("BMA"). A general partner of BMA, BFIP, and BPP is BCP IV GP L.L.C. ("BCP IV"). Blackstone Holdings III L.P. is the sole member of BCP IV. The general partner of Blackstone Holdings III L.P. is Blackstone Holdings III GP L.P. The general partner of Blackstone Holdings III GP L.P. is Blackstone Holdings III GP Management L.L.C. The sole member of Blackstone Holdings III GP Management L.L.C. is The Blackstone Group L.P. The general partner of The Blackstone Group L.P. is Blackstone Group Management L.L.C. Blackstone Group Management L.L.C. is wholly owned by Blackstone's senior managing directors and controlled by its founder, Stephen A. Schwarzman.
- (8) Due to the limitations of the electronic filing system certain Reporting Persons are filing a separate Form 4.
- (9) Information with respect to each of the Reporting Persons is given solely by such Reporting Person, and no Reporting Person has responsibility for the accuracy or completeness of information supplied by another Reporting Person.

Each of the Reporting Persons (other than each of the Blackstone Funds to the extent they directly hold securities reported herein), disclaims beneficial ownership of the securities held by the Blackstone Funds, except to the extent of such Reporting Person's pecuniary interest therein, and, pursuant to Rule 16a-1(a)(4) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, each of the Reporting Persons (other than each of the Blackstone Funds to the extent they directly hold securities reported herein) states that the inclusion of these securities in this report shall not be deemed an admission of beneficial ownership of all of the reported securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.
- (10)

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