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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 Sparks Scott Andrew Issuer Symbol **HELIX ENERGY SOLUTIONS** (Check all applicable) **GROUP INC [HLX]** (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) 3505 W SAM HOUSTON 01/02/2018 EVP and COO PARKWAY N. STE. 400 (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 HOUSTON, TX 77043 (City) (Zip) (State)

(City)	(State) (Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Ac					uired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned			
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			
Common Stock	01/02/2018		A	71,286	A	\$ 0 (1)	222,316	D		
Common Stock	01/02/2018		F	627 (2)	D	\$ 7.54	221,689	D		
Common Stock	01/03/2018		F	6,298 (2)	D	\$ 7.64	215,391	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)

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 onDerivative 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 of Number of Shares
Performance Share Units	<u>(3)</u>	01/02/2018		A	142,572 (4)	(3)	(5)	Common Stock	142,57:

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Sparks Scott Andrew 3505 W SAM HOUSTON PARKWAY N. STE. 400 HOUSTON, TX 77043

EVP and COO

Signatures

/s/ Alisa B. Johnson by power of attorney

01/04/2018

**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 restricted stock award was granted pursuant to the Company's 2005 Long Term Incentive Plan (as Amended and Restated effective January 1, 2017) and therefore has no purchase or sales price.
- (2) These shares were forfeited to satisfy tax obligations related to the vesting of the reporting person's restricted stock award.
- Each Performance Share Unit ("PSU") represents the contingent right to receive one share of Company common stock. Actual number of (3) shares upon vesting may range from 0% to 200% dependent on the Company's relative shareholder return as compared to its peer group over a three-year period beginning January 1, 2018 and ending December 31, 2020.
- (4) Amount reported is 200% of the number of PSUs granted and the maximum number that may be earned.
- (5) Upon payment of the PSUs, which shall occur no later than March 15, 2021.

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