

Alliance Holdings GP, L.P.
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FORM 4

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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 *
 Alliance Holdings GP, L.P.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 ALLIANCE RESOURCE PARTNERS LP [ARLP]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 1717 SOUTH BOULDER AVENUE,, SUITE 400
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 05/31/2018

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

TULSA, OK 74119

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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(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 Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount		
					(A) or (D)		
Common Unit	05/31/2018		D		31,088,338 (1)	D	
Common Unit	05/31/2018		D		56,100,000 (1)	D	See Foot Notes (1) (3)

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 Owned Following Reporting Transaction (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
Alliance Holdings GP, L.P. 1717 SOUTH BOULDER AVENUE, SUITE 400 TULSA, OK 74119		X		

Signatures

/s/ Alliance Holdings GP, L.P. by Kenneth Hemm pursuant to power of attorney dated August 1, 2017 06/04/2018

__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).
- Alliance Holdings GP, L.P. ("AHGP"), Alliance Resource Partners, L.P. ("ARLP") and MGP II, LLC ("MGP II"), among others, are parties to the Simplification Agreement, dated February 22, 2018 (the "Simplification Agreement").
- (1) Prior to the transactions contemplated by the Simplification Agreement, (i) AHGP directly owned 31,088,338 common units representing limited partner interests of ARLP (the "ARLP Common Units") and (ii) AHGP wholly owned MGP II and MGP II directly owned 56,100,000 ARLP Common Units.
 - (2) Pursuant to the Simplification Agreement, all common units representing limited partner interests in AHGP (the "AHGP Common Units") were canceled and converted into the right to receive all of the ARLP Common Units held by AHGP and its subsidiaries. Based on a formula calculated pursuant to the Simplification Agreement, the exchange ratio was 1.478181161 ARLP Common Units for each AHGP Common Unit.
 - (3) Pursuant to the Simplification Agreement, MGP II distributed (a) 99.999% of the 56,100,000 ARLP Common Units to AHGP and (b) 0.001% of the 56,100,000 ARLP Common Units to ARM GP Holdings, Inc. ("ARMH"), which ARMH then distributed to AHGP. Thereafter, the AHGP Common Units were canceled and converted into the right to receive all of the ARLP Common Units held by AHGP and its subsidiaries.

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