FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| Name and Address of Reporting Person* Staffeldt Erik | | | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol HELIX ENERGY SOLUTIONS GROUP INC [HLX] | | | | | | | | | | all app | p of Reportin blicable) ctor er (give title | ng Person | 10% C | |
|--|--|--|--|--|---|--|--------|--------|--|--------------------------------------|--------------------|---|--------|------------------------------------|--|---------|---|---|--|---|
| (Last) (First) (Middle) 3505 W. SAM HOUSTON PARKWAY N. SUITE 400 | | | | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/04/2019 | | | | | | | | | Senior Vice President & CFO | | | | | |
| (Street) HOUSTON TX 77043 (City) (State) (Zip) | | | | | | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | | Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | | |
| | Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Date) | | | | | | Executio | | | Code (| Transaction Disposed Code (Instr. 5) | | ities Acquired (A) d Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 | | | 4 and Secu Bene | | cially I Following | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | rect direct | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| | | | | | | | v | Amount | | (A) or (D) | Price | | Transa | Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | (11341.4) | | | |
| Common Stock 01/04/ | | | | | | | | | F | | 3,164 | (1) | D \$5. | | 5.7 174,494 | | D | | | |
| | 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) | ative Conversion Date Execution Date, ity or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) | | | | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | | ı of i | | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4) | | | | | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4) | Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
| | | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisal | | Expiration Date | Title | of | nber res | | | | | | |

Explanation of Responses:

1. These shares were forfeited to satisfy tax obligations related to the vesting of the reporting person's 2016 restricted stock award.

Remarks:

/s/ Alisa B. Johnson by power

01/07/2019

of attorney

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- * 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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