FORM 3

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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## INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 2. Date of Event 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person\* Requiring Statement **CHESAPEAKE ENERGY CORP** [ CHK ] NGP XI US Holdings, L.P. (Month/Day/Year) 02/01/2019 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer 5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Last) (First) (Middle) (Check all applicable) (Month/Dav/Year) 5221 N. O'CONNOR BLVD., SUITE 1100 10% Owner 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Officer (give title Other (specify Applicable Line) below) below) (Street) Form filed by One Reporting Person **IRVING** TX 75039 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 1. Title of Security (Instr. 4) 3. Ownership 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4) Form: Direct (D) (Instr. 5) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) 48,024,000(1)(2)(3)(4)(5)(6)(7) Common Stock D Common Stock 156.147.234(1)(2)(3)(4)(5)(6)(7) Ι See Footnotes(3)(4)(5)(6)(7) Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4) 2. Date Exercisable and 3. Title and Amount of Securities 6. Nature of Indirect Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4) Conversion Ownership **Beneficial Ownership** or Exercise Form: (Instr. 5) Price of Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) Amount Derivative Security Number Expiration of

Title

Shares

			Date Exercisable	Expir Date
1	lress of Reporting Pers S Holdings, L.P.	on <sup>*</sup>		
(Last) 5221 N. O'CO	(First) NNOR BLVD., SU	(Middle)		
(Street) IRVING	TX	75039		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)		
1	lress of Reporting Pers oldings GP, L.L.			
(Last) 5221 N. O'CO	(First) NNOR BLVD., SU	(Middle)		
(Street) IRVING	TX	75039		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)		
1	lress of Reporting Pers al Resources XI			
(Last) 5221 N. O'CO	(First) NNOR BLVD., SU	(Middle)		
(Street) IRVING	TX	75039		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)		

(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	
5221 N. O'CC	ONNOR BLVD., SU	TE 1100	
(Street)			
IRVING	TX	75039	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	
1. Name and Add	dress of Reporting Perso	on <sup>*</sup>	
GFW XI, I	<u>L.C.</u>		
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(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	
5221 N. O'CC	ONNOR BLVD., SU	ITE 1100	
(Street)			
IRVING	TX	75039	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	
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1. Name and Add	dress of Reporting Perso	on	
	dress of Reporting Perso gy Capital Manag		
NGP Energ	gy Capital Manag	gement, L.L.C. (Middle)	
NGP Energ	gy Capital Manag	gement, L.L.C. (Middle)	
(Last) 5221 N. O'CC	gy Capital Manag	gement, L.L.C. (Middle)	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. On February 1, 2019, pursuant to the Agreement and Plan of Merger dated as of October 29, 2018 (the "Merger Agreement"), by and among WildHorse Resource Development Corporation ("WildHorse"), Chesapeake Energy Corporation ("Chesapeake") and Coleburn Inc. ("Merger Sub"), as amended, Merger Sub merged with an into WildHorse (the "Merger"), with WildHorse surviving the Merger and continuing as a wholly-owned subsidiary of Chesapeake. Pursuant to the Merger Agreement, each share of WildHorse common stock issued and outstanding prior to the effective time of the Merger owned by the Reporting Person was converted at such time into the right to receive either (i) 5.336 shares of Chesapeake Common Stock ("Chesapeake Common Stock") and \$3.00 in cash, or (ii) 5.989 shares of Chesapeake Common Stock, in each case, with cash in lieu for any fractional shares.
- 2. (Continued from Footnote 1) As a result, NGP XI US Holdings, L.P. ("NGP XI US Holdings"), Esquisto Holdings, LLC ("Esquisto Holdings") and WHE AcqCo Holdings, LLC ("Acquisition Co. Holdings") received 48,024,000 shares, 142,469,647 shares and 13,677,587 shares of Chesapeake Common Stock, respectively, and cash in exchange for 9,000,000 shares, 26,699,709 shares and 2,563,266 shares of WildHorse common stock, respectively.
- 3. This form is jointly filed by NGP XI US Holdings, NGP XI Holdings GP, L.L.C. ("NGP XI Holdings GP"), NGP Natural Resources XI, L.P. ("NGP Natural Resources XI"), G.F.W. Energy XI, L.P. ("GFW Energy XI"), GFW XI, L.L.C. ("GFW XI") and NGP Energy Capital Management, L.L.C. ("NGP ECM").
- 4. (Continued from Footnote 3) Esquisto Investment Holdings, LLC ("Esquisto Investment Holdings") owns 100% of the capital interests in Esquisto Holdings, and NGP XI US Holdings has shared rights to appoint a majority of the board of managers of Esquisto Investment Holdings. Further, NGP XI US Holdings owns 100% of the capital interests in Acquisition Co. Holdings. As a result, NGP XI US Holdings may be deemed to indirectly beneficially own the shares held by each of Esquisto Holdings and Acquisition Co. Holdings. NGP XI US Holdings disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares except to the extent of its pecuniary interest therein.
- 5. (Continued from Footnote 4) NGP XI Holdings GP (the sole general partner of NGP XI US Holdings), NGP Natural Resources XI (the sole member of NGP XI Holdings GP), G.F.W. Energy XI (the sole general partner of NGP Natural Resources XI) and GFW XI (the sole general partner of GFW Energy XI) may each be deemed to share voting and dispositive power over the reported shares and therefore may also be deemed to be the beneficial owner of these shares. GFW XI has delegated full power and authority to manage NGP XI US Holdings to NGP ECM and accordingly, NGP ECM may be deemed to share voting and dispositive power over these shares and therefore may also be deemed to be the beneficial owner of these shares. Each of NGP XI Holdings GP, NGP Natural Resources XI, GFW Energy XI, GFW XI and NGP ECM disclaims beneficial ownership of the reported securities in excess of its pecuniary interest therein.
- 6. NGP ECM may also be deemed to share voting and dispositive power over 113,123,648 shares of Chesapeake Common Stock held by WHR Holdings, LLC and therefore may also be deemed to be the beneficial owner of such shares. NGP ECM disclaims beneficial ownership of such securities in excess of its pecuniary interest therein.
- 7. NGP XI US Holdings disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares of Chesapeake Common Stock held by Esquisto Holdings and Acquisition Co. Holdings, except to the extent of its pecuniary interest therein, and this statement shall not be construed as an admission that NGP XI US Holdings is the beneficial owner of any such shares for purposes of Section 16 of the Exchange Act or for any other purpose.

/s/ Tony R. Weber, Authorized Person of NGP XI Holdings 02/11/2019 GP, L.L.C., the general partner of NGP XI US Holdings, L.P. /s/ Tony R. Weber, Authorized Person of NGP XI Holdings 02/11/2019 GP, L.L.C. /s/ Tony R. Weber, Authorized Person of GFW XI, L.L.C., the general partner of G.F.W. 02/11/2019 Energy XI, L.P., the general partner of NGP Natural Resources XI, L.P. /s/ Tony R. Weber, Authorized Person of GFW XI, L.L.C., the 02/11/2019 general partner of G.F.W. Energy XI, L.P. /s/ Tony R. Weber, Authorized 02/11/2019 Person of GFW XI, L.L.C. /s/ Tony R. Weber, Co-Chief 02/11/2019

Executive Officer of NGP Energy Capital Management, L.L.C.

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

- $^{\star}$  If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5 (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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