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## FORM 4

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# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| (Last) (First) (Middle) |                 | Person* | 2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol<br>Black Stone Minerals, L.P. [BSM] | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer<br>(Check all applicable)                             |  |  |  |  |
|-------------------------|-----------------|---------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Carter Inon             | <u>nas L Jr</u> |         | ,,,,,,,  | X Director 10% Owner   |  |  |  |  |
| (Last)<br>1001 FANNIN   | ( )             | ( )     | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)<br>02/16/2017                         | X Officer (give title Other (specify below)<br>President, CEO and Chairman                             |  |  |  |  |
| (Street)<br>HOUSTON     | ТХ              | 77002   | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)                               | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable<br>Line)<br>X Form filed by One Reporting Person |  |  |  |  |
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### Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| Table 1- Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed 01, 01 Denencially Owned |  |   |   |   |         |               |        |   |   |   |
|--|--|---|---|---|---------|---------------|--------|---|---|---|
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  | 2. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date,<br>if any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3.<br>Transaction<br>Code (Instr.<br>8) |   |         |               |        | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned Following<br>Reported | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|  |  |   | Code                                    | v | Amount  | (A) or<br>(D) | Price  | Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4)  |   | (Instr. 4)  |
| Common units representing limited partner interests <sup>(1)</sup>             | 02/16/2017                                 |   | A                                       |   | 144,524 | A             | \$0.00 | 939,651   | D   |   |
| Common units representing limited partner interests                            |  |   |   |   |         |               |        | 30,289  | I   | By Georgia<br>Elizabeth<br>Carter 1995<br>Trust                   |
| Common units representing limited partner interests                            |  |   |   |   |         |               |        | 30,289  | I   | By<br>Katherine<br>Ross Carter<br>1995 Trust                      |
| Common units representing limited partner interests                            |  |   |   |   |         |               |        | 30,290  | I   | By Molly<br>Leachman<br>Carter 1995<br>Trust                      |
| Common units representing limited partner interests                            |  |   |   |   |         |               |        | 5,689   | I   | By Fowler<br>Thomas<br>Carter 1995<br>Trust                       |
| Common units representing limited partner interests                            |  |   |   |   |         |               |        | 4,970,834   | I   | By<br>Carter2221,<br>Ltd.   |

 
 Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

|   |   |  |   |                              |   | -  |  |                     |                    |   |   |   |  |  |  |
|---|---|--|---|------------------------------|---|--|--|---------------------|--------------------|---|---|---|--|--|--|
| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date,<br>if any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transa<br>Code (<br>8) |   | of<br>Deriv<br>Secu<br>Acqu<br>(A) or<br>Dispo<br>of (D) | f Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year)<br>ecurities<br>cquired<br>s) or<br>isposed<br>f (D)<br>nstr. 3, 4 |                     |                    | 7. Title<br>Amour<br>Securi<br>Underl<br>Deriva<br>Securi<br>and 4) | nt of<br>ties<br>ying<br>tive<br>ty (Instr. 3 | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5) | 9. Number of<br>derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 4) | 10.<br>Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|   |   |  |   | Code                         | v | (A)  | (D)  | Date<br>Exercisable | Expiration<br>Date | Title   | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares        |   |  |  |  |

#### Explanation of Responses:

1. Common units subject to a restricted unit award issued pursuant to the Black Stone Minerals, L.P. Long-Term Incentive Plan (the "LTIP"). Except as otherwise provided in the LTIP or the award agreement governing the award, the common units will vest in three equal installments on each of January 7, 2018, January 7, 2019, and January 7, 2020, so long as the Reporting Person remains continuously employed by the Issuer, Black Stone Minerals GP, L.L.C. (the "General Partner"), or any of their respective affiliates through each such vesting date.

### **Remarks:**

<u>/s/ Steve Putman, Attorney-in-</u> <u>Fact for Thomas L. Carter, Jr.</u> 02/21/2017

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

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