

HELIX ENERGY SOLUTIONS GROUP INC
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
CONNOR III JAMES LEWIS

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
HELIX ENERGY SOLUTIONS GROUP INC [HLX]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 400 N. SAM HOUSTON PARKWAY E., SUITE 400
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 08/25/2006

____ Director
 Officer (give title below) _____ 10% Owner
 _____ Other (specify below)
 SVP, GEN COUNSEL & CORP SEC

HOUSTON, TX 77060

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 ____ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price |
| Common Stock | 08/25/2006 | | M | | 12,000 | A | \$ 8.75 |
| Common Stock | 08/25/2006 | | S | | 12,000 | D | \$ 38.5 |

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) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|
| Stock Option (Option to Buy) | \$ 8.75 | 08/25/2006 | | M | 12,000 | 07/22/2003 07/22/2012 | Common Stock | 12,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|-----------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| CONNOR III JAMES LEWIS 400 N. SAM HOUSTON PARKWAY E. SUITE 400 HOUSTON, TX 77060 | | | SVP, GEN COUNSEL & CORP SEC | |

Signatures

James Lewis
Connor, III

08/25/2006

**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) Mr. Connor's direct holdings include 4,432 shares held through the Company's Employee Stock Purchase Plan.
- (2) This option was granted pursuant to the Company's 1995 Long Term Incentive Plan, as amended, and therefore has no purchase or sales price.

Remarks:

The filing of this statement shall not be deemed an admission that any reporting person is, for purposes of section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, an officer or director of the Company or a person who is or was a beneficial owner of the Company's securities.

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