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GULFPORT ENERGY CORP Form 3 March 17, 2017 FORM 3 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549 OMB

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> Malone Mark			2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year)	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol GULFPORT ENERGY CORP [GPOR]			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	03/07/2017	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	
3001 QUAIL SPRINGS PARKWAY				(Check all applicable)			
OKLAHOM	(Street)			Diffector Other			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person
CITY, OK 73134					Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - N	Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned			
1.Title of Secur (Instr. 4)	ity		2. Amount o Beneficially (Instr. 4)		3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nat Owne (Instr.	1
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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of Derivative Security	2. Date Exercisable and	3. Title and Amount of	4.	5.	6. Nature of Indirect
(Instr. 4)	Expiration Date	Securities Underlying	Conversion	Ownership	Beneficial Ownership
	(Month/Day/Year)	Derivative Security	or Exercise	Form of	(Instr. 5)
		(Instr. 4)	Price of	Derivative	
		Title	Derivative	Security:	
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Date	Expiration	Amount or	or Indirect
Exercisable	Date	Number of	(I)
		Shares	(Instr. 5)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Malone Mark 3001 QUAIL SPRINGS PARKWAY OKLAHOMA CITY, OK 73134	Â	Â	SVP, Operations	Â			
Signatures							
/s/ Michael G. Moore as attorney in fact for Mark K. Malone			03/17/2017				
<u>**</u> Signature of Reporting Perso		Date					
Explanation of Responses:							

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- * 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).

Amount includes 43,001 unvested restricted stock units granted under the equity incentive plan of Gulfport Energy Corporation (the "Issuer") prior to Mr. Malone becoming an executive officer of the Issuer. Of these restricted stock units, 4,000 units will vest on August

(1) Issuer) photo to Mit. Matone becoming an executive officer of the issuer. Of these resulted stock units, 4,000 units will vest on August 15, 2017, 11,666 units will vest on August 27, 2017, 4,001 units will vest on August 15, 2018, 11,667 units will vest on August 27, 2018 and 11,667 units will vest on August 27, 2019.

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