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1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement Rice Energy Inc. [RICE] VANLOH S WIL JR (Month/Day/Year) 10/19/2016 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 1401 MCKINNEY STREET, (Check all applicable) **SUITE 2700** (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group _X__ 10% Owner Director Officer Other Filing(Check Applicable Line) (give title below) (specify below) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person HOUSTON, TXÂ 77010 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) See footnotes (2) (3) (4) (5) Class A Preferred Stock (1) I 24,238.004 Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not

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

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date		Amount or Number of Shares		or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Rice Energy Operating LLC Common Units	(6)	(6)	Shares of Common Stock	24,238,004	\$ <u>(6)</u>	I	See footnotes (2) (3) (4) (5)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

VANLOH S WIL JR 1401 MCKINNEY STREET, SUITE 2700 Â Â X Â Â HOUSTON, TXÂ 77010

Signatures

/s/ S. Wil VanLoh Jr. 10/31/2016

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
- Each 1/1000th of a share of Class A Preferred Stock ("Class A Preferred Stock") of Rice Energy Inc. ("Rice") entitles its holder to one vote on all matters to be voted on by stockholders generally. Holders of Class A Preferred Stock are entitled to receive, after payment or
- (1) provision for debts and liabilities and prior to any distribution in respect of shares of common stock ("Common Stock") of Rice or any other junior securities, liquidating distributions in an amount equal to \$0.01 per share of Class A Preferred Stock in the event of any voluntary or involuntary liquidation, dissolution or winding up of Rice's affairs.
 - Quantum Energy Partners IV, LP ("QEP IV") is the record holder of 6,660,444 common units (the "Common Units") of Rice Energy Operating LLC ("REO") that are redeemable for shares Common Stock of Rice as described in Footnote 6 below. Quantum Energy Management IV, LLC ("QEM IV LLC") is the sole general partner of Quantum Energy Management IV, LP, which is the sole general partner of QEP IV. Any decision taken by QEP IV to vote, or to direct to vote, and to dispose, or to direct the disposition of, the securities
- partner of QEP IV. Any decision taken by QEP IV to vote, or to direct to vote, and to dispose, or to direct the disposition of, the securities held by QEP IV has to be approved by a majority of the members of its investment committee, which majority must include S. Wil VanLoh, Jr.. Therefore, Mr. VanLoh may be deemed to share voting and dispositive power over the securities held by QEP IV and may also be deemed to be the beneficial owner of these securities. Mr. VanLoh disclaims beneficial ownership of such securities in excess of his pecuniary interest in the securities.
 - Q-Vantage Parallel Partners ("Q-Vantage") is the record holder of 438,801 Common Units of REO that are redeemable for shares of Common Stock of Rice as described in Footnote 6 below. QEM IV LLC is the sole general partner of Quantum Energy Management IV, LP, which is the sole managing partner of Q-Vantage. Any decision taken by Q-Vantage to vote, or to direct to vote, and to dispose, or to
- (3) direct the disposition of, the securities held by Q-Vantage has to be approved by a majority of the members of its investment committee, which majority must include S. Wil VanLoh, Jr.. Therefore, Mr. VanLoh may be deemed to share voting and dispositive power over the securities held by Q-Vantage and may also be deemed to be the beneficial owner of these securities. Mr. VanLoh disclaims beneficial ownership of such securities in excess of his pecuniary interest in the securities.
 - QEM IV Direct Investment Partners ("QEM IV") is the record holder of 289,434 Common Units of REO that are redeemable for shares of Common Stock of Rice as described in Footnote 6 below. QEM IV LLC is the sole general partner of Quantum Energy Management IV, LP, which is the sole managing partner of QEM IV. Any decision taken by QEM IV to vote, or to direct to vote, and to dispose, or to
- (4) direct the disposition of, the securities held by QEM IV has to be approved by a majority of the members of its investment committee, which majority must include S. Wil VanLoh, Jr.. Therefore, Mr. VanLoh may be deemed to share voting and dispositive power over the securities held by QEM IV and may also be deemed to be the beneficial owner of these securities. Mr. VanLoh disclaims beneficial ownership of such securities in excess of his pecuniary interest in the securities.

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- Quantum V Investment Partners ("Quantum V") is the record holder of 16,849,325 Common Units of REO that are redeemable for shares of Common Stock of Rice as described in Footnote 6 below. QEM V, LLC ("QEM V LLC") is the sole managing partner of Quantum V. Any decision taken by Quantum V to vote, or to direct to vote, and to dispose, or to direct the disposition of, the securities held by
- (5) Quantum V has to be approved by a majority of the members of its investment committee, which majority must include S. Wil VanLoh, Jr.. Therefore, Mr. VanLoh may be deemed to share voting and dispositive power over the securities held by Quantum V and may also be deemed to be the beneficial owner of these securities. Mr. VanLoh disclaims beneficial ownership of such securities in excess of his pecuniary interest in the securities.
 - The Common Units of REO are redeemable (together with 1/1000th of a share of Class A Preferred Stock) at any time and from time to time for an equal number of shares of Common Stock of Rice or, at the election of REO, a cash payment equal to the volume-weighted average closing price of one share of Common Stock for the five trading days prior to and including the last full trading day immediately prior to the date that a member delivers a notice of redemption. Upon the exercise of the redemption right, Rice may, at its option, effect a direct exchange of the Common Units (and the corresponding shares of Class A Preferred Stock (or fractions thereof)) from the redeeming member of REO. The Common Units have no expiration date.

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