

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

FORM 4

Statement of changes in beneficial ownership of securities

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REPORTING OWNER

ROCHWARGER GEOFFREY

CIK: **1228165**

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ISSUER

Genie Energy Ltd.

CIK: **1528356** | IRS No.: **452069276** | State of Incorporation: **DE** | Fiscal Year End: **1231**
SIC: **4931** Electric & other services combined

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person ROCHWARGER GEOFFREY			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Genie Energy Ltd. [GNE]			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) ____ Director _____ 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below) Vice Chairman		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/04/2012					
C/O GENIE ENERGY LTD., 550 BROAD STREET			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check applicable line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form Filed by One Reporting Person ____ Form Filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(Street) NEWARK, NJ 07102								
(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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Class B Common Stock, \$.01 par value per share	09/04/2012		<u>D</u>		1,927 ⁽¹⁾	D	\$7.107	49,255	D	
Class B Common Stock, \$.01 par value per share	01/07/2013		<u>A</u>		18,000 ⁽²⁾	A	\$ 0	67,255	D	
Class B Common Stock, \$.01 par value per share	01/07/2013		<u>E</u>		6,547 ⁽³⁾	D	\$7.21	60,708 ⁽⁴⁾	D	

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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V		(A)	(D)					

Explanation of Responses:

1. Represents the sale of shares in a brokerage account that was treated by the bank as abandoned property and sold at the time without Mr. Rochwarger's knowledge.
2. Grant of Class B Common Stock pursuant to a Deferred Stock Unit.
3. Represents shares withheld by the Issuer for tax purposes upon vesting of the Deferred Stock Unit noted in Footnote 2 above.
4. Consists of 24,975 shares of the Company's unvested Class B Common Restricted Stock of which 12,488 vest on November 3, 2013 and 12,487 vest on November 3, 2014 and 35,733 shares of the Company's Class B Common stock held by Mr. Rochwarger directly.

Signatures

Joyce J. Mason, by Power of Attorney

** Signature of Reporting Person

01/09/2013

Date

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

* 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).

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