

INERGY L P  
Form 8-K  
March 17, 2005

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# **SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

**Washington, D.C. 20549**

## **FORM 8-K**

### **CURRENT REPORT**

**Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the**

**Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

**March 17, 2005**

**Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)**

## **INERGY, L.P.**

**(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)**

**Delaware**  
**(State or other jurisdiction**  
  
**of incorporation)**

**0-32453**  
**(Commission File Number)**

**43-1918951**  
**(IRS Employer**  
  
**Identification Number)**

**Two Brush Creek Boulevard, Suite 200**

**Kansas City, MO 64112**

**(Address of principal executive offices)**

**(816) 842-8181**

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(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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  - ☐ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Item 2.01. ACQUISITION OR DISPOSITION OF ASSETS**

Inergy, L.P. filed audited financial statements and unaudited pro forma financial statements for the year ended September 30, 2004 for the Star Gas Propane, L.P. Acquisition on Form 8-K on December 15, 2004 satisfying our obligation under Regulation S-X rule 3-05. This report will update certain of the pro forma financial statement information contained in the December 15, 2004 filing.

On December 17, 2004, Inergy, L.P. closed the acquisition of Star Gas Propane, L.P. from Star Gas Partners, L.P. The purchase price of Star Gas Propane, L.P. approximated \$480 million, net of cash acquired. In connection with the acquisition, we entered into a 364-day credit facility and borrowed \$375.0 million under this facility on November 17, 2004. On December 22, 2004, Inergy, L.P. and its wholly-owned subsidiary, Inergy Finance Corp., completed a private placement of \$425 million in aggregate principal amount of 6.875% senior unsecured notes due 2014 (the Senior Notes). We used the net proceeds from the \$425 million private placement of Senior Notes to repay all amounts drawn under the 364-day credit facility, with the \$39.9 million balance of the net proceeds being applied to the revolving acquisition credit facility. Concurrent with the closing of the Star Gas Propane, L.P. acquisition, Inergy, L.P. issued 3,568,139 Common Units to unrelated third parties resulting in proceeds of \$91.0 million, net of offering expenses. These proceeds were obtained to partially fund the acquisition of Star Gas Propane, L.P.

In December 2004, Inergy, L.P. issued 4,400,000 Common Units in a public offering, resulting in proceeds of \$121.3 million, net of underwriter's discount, commission, and offering expenses. On January 4, 2005, the underwriters exercised their option to purchase 660,000 units resulting in net proceeds to us of approximately \$18.2 million in connection with the December 2004 Common Unit offering. These funds were used to repay a portion of the borrowings under our credit agreement.

The following are our unaudited pro forma financial statements for the three months ended December 31, 2004. The unaudited pro forma income statement reflects our consolidated historical operating results as adjusted for the following transactions:

our acquisition of Star Gas Propane, L.P.;

our \$425 million senior notes offering; and,

our 8,628,139 Common Unit offerings.

The pro forma statement of operations assumes these transactions occurred on October 1, 2004.

The pro forma statement of operations for the three months ended December 31, 2004 does not include the pro forma effect of any acquisitions other than the acquisition of Star Gas Propane.

The unaudited pro forma statement of operations was derived by adjusting our unaudited historical financial statements. The adjustments are based on currently available information and, therefore, the actual adjustments may materially differ from the pro forma adjustments. The acquisition of Star Gas Propane, L.P. was accounted for as an acquisition under the purchase method of accounting in accordance with Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) No. 141, Business Combinations. The assets and liabilities of Star Gas Propane, L.P. will be reflected at fair value. A final determination of the purchase accounting adjustments, including the allocation of the purchase price of the assets acquired and liabilities assumed based on their fair values, has not been made. Accordingly, the purchase accounting adjustments made in connection

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with the development of the following unaudited pro forma consolidated financial statements are preliminary and have been made solely for purposes of developing such unaudited pro forma consolidated financial statements. However, management believes that the adjustments provide a reasonable basis for presenting the significant effects of the transactions described above.

For a description of all of the assumptions used in preparing the pro forma financial and operating data, you should read the notes to the unaudited pro forma consolidated financial statements for Inergy, L.P. The pro forma financial statements should not be considered as indicative of the historical results we would have had or the results that we will have in the future.

**Inergy, L.P.****For the Three Months Ended December 31, 2004**

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Basic:	<u>25,310</u>	<u>32,878</u>
Diluted:	<u>25,874</u>	<u>33,442</u>

See accompanying notes.

Notes to unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial information

Pro forma adjustments

(a) The Star Gas Propane acquisition closing date was effective for financial reporting purposes as if the transaction was consummated on December 1, 2004, as such, the Inergy L.P. historical statement of operations for the three months ended December 31, 2004 includes one month of the Star Gas Propane, L.P. results of operations from December 1, 2004 to the end of the period. The Star Gas Propane, L.P. historical statement of operations for the three months ended December 31, 2004 include results of operations for the period from October 1, 2004 through November 30, 2004.

(b) Reflects the pro forma adjustment to depreciation and amortization expense as follows (in thousands):

Eliminate the historical depreciation and amortization expense	\$ (3,481)
Pro forma depreciation and amortization expense	3,424
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Pro forma adjustment to depreciation and amortization expense	\$ (57)
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(c) Reflects pro forma adjustments to interest expense as follows (in thousands):

Eliminate historical interest expense	\$ (1,411)
Interest expense relation to the new senior notes and the new credit facility	3,563
Interest expense resulting from amortization of deferred financing costs	417
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Pro forma adjustment to interest expense	\$ 2,569
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(d) Reflects amounts recognized as expense in the quarter ended December 31, 2004, incurred in connection with the retirement of our 364-day credit facility used to fund a portion of our acquisition of Star Gas Propane, and deferred financing costs written off with the retirement of our previous credit facility.

**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

INERGY, L.P.

By: INERGY GP, LLC,

Its Managing General Partner

Date: March 17, 2004

By: /s/ Laura L. Ozenberger  
**Laura L. Ozenberger**

**Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary**