RIGGS MEL G Form 4 January 08, 2013

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

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 *

(Street)

(State)

(Month/Day/Year)

RIGGS MEL G

(Last)

(City)

1.Title of

Security

(Instr. 3)

Common

Shares

(First) (Middle)

500 W TEXAS STE 705

MIDLAND, TX 79701

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

TRANSATLANTIC PETROLEUM LTD. [TAT]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/05/2013

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

3.

Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of Code (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

any

(Month/Day/Year)

Code 01/05/2013 M

(Zip)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

below)

(Check all applicable)

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_X__ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

6. Ownership 7. Nature of 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of Securities Form: Direct Indirect Beneficially Beneficial (D) or Owned Ownership Indirect (I) Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

D

Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

96,823

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

(A)

or

(D)

Α

Price

<u>(1)</u>

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Amount

21,739

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative 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)		8 I S (
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Units	(1)	01/05/2013		M	21,739	(2)	(2)	Common Shares	21,739	

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
RIGGS MEL G 500 W TEXAS STE 705 MIDLAND, TX 79701	X						

Signatures

Jeffrey S. Mecom, Attorney-in-Fact 01/08/2013

**Signature of Reporting Person D

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) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of TransAtlantic Petroleum Ltd. common stock.
- (2) The restricted stock units vested in full on January 5, 2013.

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