

**FORM 3****UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934  
 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

<b>1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*</b> <u>BACHMANN RICHARD H</u>  (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>1100 LOUISIANA STREET; SUITE 1000</u>  (Street) <u>HOUSTON TX 77002</u>  (City) (State) (Zip)	<b>2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year)</b> <u>01/29/2007</u>	<b>3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol</b> <u>Duncan Energy Partners L.P. [ DEP ]</u>  <b>4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>President and CEO</u>  <b>5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)</b>  <b>6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
<u>Units Representing Limited Partnership Interests</u>	<u>0<sup>(1)</sup></u>	<u>D<sup>(2)</sup></u>	

**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 Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	

**Explanation of Responses:**

- The reporting person does not beneficially own any securities of the company whether directly or indirectly.
- The power of attorney under which this form was signed is attached as Exhibit 24.

**Remarks:**

Philip C. Neisel, Attorney-in-Fact on behalf of Richard H. Bachmann 01/29/2007

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person 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 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).

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POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THIS DOCUMENT: That I, Richard H. Bachmann, have made, constituted, and appointed, and by this document do make, constitute, and appoint Michael A. Creel, Stephanie C. Hildebrandt, Philip C. Neisel

\_\_\_\_\_/s/ Michael A. Creel\_\_\_\_\_

Michael A. Creel, Attorney-in-Fact

\_\_\_\_\_/s/ Stephanie C. Hildebrandt\_\_\_\_\_

Stephanie C. Hildebrandt, Attorney-in-Fact

\_\_\_\_\_/s/ Philip C. Neisel\_\_\_\_\_

Philip C. Neisel, Attorney-in-Fact

\_\_\_\_\_/s/ William L. Soula\_\_\_\_\_

William L. Soula, Attorney-in-Fact

or any of them, signing singly, my true and lawful attorney-in-fact, and in my name, place, and stead to:

1. Execute, deliver and file on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as a director and officer of DEP Holdings, LLC, the sole general partner of Duncan Energy Partners L.P. (the "Company"), any U.S. Secur
2. Do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such Form 3, 4 or 5 and timely file such form or any amendment thereto with the United S
3. Take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with or in furtherance of the matters described in paragraphs 1 and 2 above which in the opinion of its attorney-in-fact may be of benefit to, and in the best int

Giving and granting to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform every act necessary and proper to be done in the exercise of the foregoing powers as fully as I might or could do if personal

This Power of Attorney shall remain in effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 3, 4 and 5 with respect to the undersigned's holdings of and transactions in securities issued by the Company, unl

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this \_29\_ day of \_January\_, 2007.

\_\_\_\_\_/s/ Richard H. Bachmann\_\_\_\_\_

RICHARD H. BACHMANN