

DIVERSIFIED ENERGY CO

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HUTSON ROBERT R JR

FORM 4

(Statement of Changes in Beneficial Ownership)

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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN 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

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Hutson Robert R Jr (Last) (First) (Middle) C/O DIVERSIFIED ENERGY COMPANY 1600 CORPORATE DRIVE (Street) BIRMINGHAM ALABAMA 35242 (City) (State) (Zip/Postal Code) UNITED STATES (Country)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Diversified Energy Co [DEC] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (MM/DD/YYYY) 9/30/2026	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) ☒ Director ☐ 10% Owner ☒ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify below) Chief Executive Officer
4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (MM/DD/YYYY)		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) ☒ 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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Trans. Date	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	3. Trans. 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			

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

1. Title of Derivate Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Trans. Date	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Trans. 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		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)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Restricted Stock Units	(1)	9/30/2026	9/30/2026	A		2,223	(2)	(3)	(3)	Common Stock	2,223	\$0	115,268	D	
Restricted Stock Units	\$0 (1)	9/30/2026	9/30/2026	A		1,349	(2)	(4)	(4)	Common Stock	1,349	\$0	69,990	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- (1) Restricted stock units ("RSUs") convert into shares of the Issuer's common stock on a one-for-one basis.
- (2) Represents additional RSUs that accrued as dividend equivalent rights in connection with the Issuer's dividend payment of \$0.29 per share.
- (3) These RSUs vest in three equal installments on each March 19, 2027, 2028 and 2029.
- (4) These RSUs vest on January 1, 2028, subject to the Reporting Person's continued employment.

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Hutson Robert R Jr C/O DIVERSIFIED ENERGY COMPANY 1600 CORPORATE DRIVE BIRMINGHAM	X		Chief Executive Officer	

ALABAMA 35242 UNITED STATES				
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Signatures

/s/ Benjamin Sullivan, Attorney-in-Fact

10/1/2026

--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 4(b)(v).

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