

JONAS HOWARD S  
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**FORM 4**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
JONAS HOWARD S

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
C/O GENIE ENERGY LTD., 520 BROAD STREET  
(Street)

NEWARK, NJ 07102

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
Genie Energy Ltd. [GNE]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
06/14/2017

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
Chairman of the Board & CEO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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**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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |                          |   |   |
|---|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|--------------------------|---|---|
|   |                                      |  | Code                           | V   | Amount  | (A) or (D)   | Price                                      |                          |   |   |
| Class B Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share | 06/14/2017                           |  | J <sup>(1)</sup>               | V   | 177,223   | D  | \$ 0                                       | 2,192,286 <sup>(2)</sup> | D |   |
| Class B Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share | 06/14/2017                           |  | J <sup>(1)</sup>               | V   | 26,129  | A  | \$ 0                                       | 231,204                  | I | By Trust FBO Michael Jonas <sup>(3)</sup> |
| Class B Common Stock                            | 06/14/2017                           |  | J <sup>(1)</sup>               | V   | 14,616  | A  | \$ 0                                       | 302,486                  | I | By Trust FBO                              |

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| Stock, par value \$.01 per share                |            |                  |   |           |   |      |           |   | Samuel Jonas <sup>(3)</sup>                |
| Class B Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share | 06/14/2017 | J <sup>(1)</sup> | V | 14,625    | A | \$ 0 | 419,223   | I | By Trust FBO Joseph Jonas <sup>(3)</sup>   |
| Class B Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share | 06/14/2017 | J <sup>(1)</sup> | V | 12,475    | A | \$ 0 | 417,247   | I | By Trust FBO Tamar Jonas <sup>(3)</sup>    |
| Class B Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share | 06/14/2017 | J <sup>(1)</sup> | V | 14,064    | A | \$ 0 | 418,526   | I | By Trust FBO Rachel Jonas <sup>(3)</sup>   |
| Class B Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share | 06/14/2017 | J <sup>(1)</sup> | V | 16,103    | A | \$ 0 | 421,321   | I | By Trust FBO Leora Jonas <sup>(3)</sup>    |
| Class B Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share | 06/14/2017 | J <sup>(1)</sup> | V | 28,888    | A | \$ 0 | 244,445   | I | By Trust FBO David Jonas <sup>(3)</sup>    |
| Class B Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share | 06/14/2017 | J <sup>(1)</sup> | V | 12,377    | A | \$ 0 | 418,461   | I | By Trust FBO Jonathan Jonas <sup>(3)</sup> |
| Class B Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share | 06/14/2017 | J <sup>(1)</sup> | V | 37,946    | A | \$ 0 | 443,879   | I | By Trust FBO Miriam Jonas <sup>(3)</sup>   |
| Class B Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share | 07/13/2017 | J <sup>(4)</sup> | V | 2,034,262 | D | \$ 0 | 158,024   | D |  |
| Class B Common Stock, par                       | 07/13/2017 | J <sup>(4)</sup> | V | 2,034,262 | A | \$ 0 | 2,034,262 | I | By The Howard S. Jonas 2017                |

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| value \$.01<br>per share                                    |                          |   | Annuity<br>Trust                                      |
| Class B<br>Common<br>Stock, par<br>value \$.01<br>per share | 1,556                    | I | Custodial<br>for Son<br>(Jonathan)                    |
| Class B<br>Common<br>Stock, par<br>value \$.01<br>per share | 1,556                    | I | Custodial<br>for<br>Daughter<br>(Rachel)              |
| Class B<br>Common<br>Stock, par<br>value \$.01<br>per share | 1,556                    | I | Custodial<br>for Son<br>(Joseph)                      |
| Class B<br>Common<br>Stock, par<br>value \$.01<br>per share | 1,556                    | I | Custodial<br>for<br>Daughter<br>(Tamar)               |
| Class B<br>Common<br>Stock, par<br>value \$.01<br>per share | 1,556                    | I | Custodial<br>for<br>Daughter<br>(Miriam)              |
| Class B<br>Common<br>Stock, par<br>value \$.01<br>per share | 2,204,949 <sup>(5)</sup> | I | By The<br>Howard S.<br>Jonas 2014<br>Annuity<br>Trust |
| Class B<br>Common<br>Stock, par<br>value \$.01<br>per share | 275,047                  | I | By The<br>Jonas<br>Foundation                         |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock, par<br>value \$.01<br>per share | 1,574,326                | D |   |

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

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**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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Reporting Transaction (Instr. 6) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|---|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   | Title                                      | Amount or Number of Shares  |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |                             |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|-----------------------------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                     | Other |
| JONAS HOWARD S<br>C/O GENIE ENERGY LTD.<br>520 BROAD STREET<br>NEWARK, NJ 07102 | X             | X         | Chairman of the Board & CEO |       |

## Signatures

Joyce J. Mason, by Power of Attorney  
Date: 07/25/2017

Signature of Reporting Person Date

## 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) Reporting Person transferred these shares from his own direct holdings to his children's individual accounts.
- (2) Includes 300,000 restricted shares that vest on December 31, 2017.
- (3) These shares are held in trust for the benefit of the Reporting Person's children. The Reporting Person's spouse is trustee of the trust. Mr. Jonas does not exercise or share investment control of these shares.
- (4) Reporting Person transferred these shares (300,000 of which were restricted and vest on December 31, 2017) to the Howard S. Jonas 2017 Annuity Trust.
- (5) Includes 300,000 restricted shares that vest on December 31, 2017 and 600,000 restricted shares that vest on December 31, 2018.

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