Gold Merger Sub, LLC Form 4 April 29, 2016

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * ATWOOD CHARLES L

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(First) (Last)

(Middle)

(Zip)

Gold Merger Sub, LLC [PNK]

(Check all applicable)

C/O PINNACLE

ENTERTAINMENT, INC., 3980

(State)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 04/28/2016

X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below)

HOWARD HUGHES PARKWAY

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

LAS VEGAS, NV 89169

(City)

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities Transaction Acquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

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

6.

7. Nature of Ownership Indirect Form: Direct Beneficial (D) or Ownership (Instr. 4) Indirect (I)

Reported (Instr. 4)

(A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Price

Common 04/28/2016 Stock

V Amount (D) Code 5,914 $D^{(1)(2)}$ D (3)

0 <u>(4)</u>

or

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)

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	1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Titl	e and	8. Price of	9. Nu
	Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transacti	orNumber	Expiration Date		Amou	nt of	Derivative	Deriv
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						4, and 5)						
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							Date	Expiration		or		
							Exercisable	Date	of	Number		
					Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

ATWOOD CHARLES L C/O PINNACLE ENTERTAINMENT, INC. 3980 HOWARD HUGHES PARKWAY LAS VEGAS, NV 89169

X

Signatures

/s/ Elliot D. Hoops, Attorney-In-Fact for Charles L. Atwood

04/29/2016

**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).

Disposed of pursuant to the Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of July 20, 2015 (the "Merger Agreement"), by and among the Pinnacle Entertainment, Inc. (the "Issuer"), Gaming and Leisure Properties, Inc., a Pennsylvania corporation ("Parent"), and Gold Merger Sub, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company and a wholly owned subsidiary of Parent ("Merger Sub"), providing for the merger of

- (1) Merger Sub with and into the Issuer (the "Merger"), with Merger Sub surviving the Merger as a wholly owned subsidiary of Parent and/or the Employee Matters Agreement, dated as of April 28, 2016, by and between the Issuer and OpCo (as defined below) (the "Employee Matters Agreement"). In connection with the Merger, the Issuer separted its operating assets (and certain real estate assets) and liabilities into a newly formed subsidiary PNK Entertainment, Inc.
- (Continued from Footnote 1) (which at closing changed its named to Pinnacle Entertainment, Inc.) ("OpCo") and, immediately prior to (2) the closing of the Merger, the Company distributed to its stockholders, on a pro rata basis, all of the issued and outstanding shares of common stock of OpCo (such distribution referred to as the "Spin-Off").
- (3) Consists of 5,914 restricted stock units ("RSUs"). Each RSU represents a contingent right to acquire one share of Issuer common stock based on the achievement of a one year vesting period.

At the time of the Spin-Off, each RSU granted after July 16, 2015 (5,914), was converted (and the number of RSUs was adjusted pursuant to the Employee Matters Agreement) into an adjusted OpCo RSU on the same terms and conditions that were applicable to such RSUs prior to the Spin-Off. The market value of a share of OpCo common stock is \$11.51 per share, based on the trading price of OpCo common stock as of the end of trading on April 27, 2016.

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