FORM 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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| STATEMENT (| OF CHANGES IN | I BENEFICIAL | OWNERSHIP |
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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* HEARD DANIEL L | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>Uniti Group Inc.</u> [UNIT] | | | | | | | | Check all | nship of Report applicable) Director Officer (give title | Ü | 10% C | | | | |
|--|--|------|----------|---|--|---|--------------------------|---|--------|-----|---|-------------------|---|---|--|---|--|--|----------|
| (Last) (First) (Middle) 10802 EXECUTIVE CENTER DRIVE BENTON BUILDING SUITE 300 | | | | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/06/2018 | | | | | | | | b | elow) VP, Gen. Co | unse | below) | | |
| (Street) LITTLE ROCK AR 72211 (City) (State) (Zip) | | | | | 4. If | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | ne) X F | -7 | | | | | |
| | | Tabl | e I - No | n-Deriv | ative | Sec | curitie | s Acc | uired, | Dis | posed o | f, oı | r Ben | eficia | ally Ov | vned | | | |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Date) | | | | Execution Date | | Date, | Transaction Code (Instr. | | | | | nd Se Be Ov | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported | | Ownership m: Direct or Indirect Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | Code | v | Amount | | (A) or (D) | Price | Tra | ansaction(s) estr. 3 and 4) | | | (1130.4) |
| Common Stock 02/06 | | | | 02/06/ | /2018 | | | | A | | 14,453 | (1) | A | \$ | 0 | 55,246 | | D | |
| | 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) | 1. Title of 2. Derivative Conversion Security or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any | | | | 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) Date Expiration | | | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4) Amour or Numbe | | ount | 8. Price Derivati Security (Instr. 5 | ve derivative Securities | у | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |

Explanation of Responses:

1. Subject to the reporting person's continued employment, these shares vest in three equal installments on February 6 of each year, with the first vesting date being February 6, 2019.

02/08/2018 /s/ Daniel L. Heard

** 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).
- ** 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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