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PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT

(To Prospectus dated September 11, 2013)

# Common Units Representing Limited Partner Interests Having an Aggregate Offering Price of Up to \$400,000,000

This prospectus supplement and the accompanying base prospectus relate to the issuance and sale from time to time of common units representing limited partner interests in Spectra Energy Partners, LP having an aggregate offering price of up to \$400,000,000 through Citigroup Global Markets Inc., Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC and Wells Fargo Securities, LLC as our sales agents (the Sales Agents). These sales, if any, will be made pursuant to the terms of the equity distribution agreement dated November 19, 2013 between us and the Sales Agents, which will be filed as an exhibit to a Current Report on Form 8-K to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Under the terms of the equity distribution agreement, we also may sell common units to any of the Sales Agents as principal for its own account at a price agreed upon at the time of the sale. If we sell common units to any Sales Agent as principal, we will enter into a separate terms agreement with such Sales Agent and we will describe that agreement in a separate prospectus supplement or pricing supplement.

Our common units trade on the New York Stock Exchange (the NYSE) under the symbol SEP. On November 18, 2013, the last reported sale price of our common units on the NYSE was \$44.24 per unit. Sales of common units under this prospectus supplement, if any, will be made by means of ordinary brokers transactions through the facilities of the NYSE, any other national securities exchange or facility thereof, a trading facility of a national securities association or an alternate trading system, to or through a market maker or directly on or through an electronic communication network, a dark pool or any similar market venue, at market prices, in block transactions, or as otherwise agreed upon by one or more of the Sales Agents and us. The Sales Agents are not required to sell any specific number or dollar amount of common units but will use their reasonable efforts, as our agents and subject to the terms of the equity distribution agreement, to sell the common units offered, as instructed by us.

Investing in our common units involves risks. See Risk Factors on page S-3 of this prospectus supplement.

The compensation of the Sales Agents for sales of common units shall be at a fixed commission rate of up to 2.0% of the gross sales price per common unit. The net proceeds from any sales under this prospectus supplement will be used as described under Use of Proceeds in this prospectus supplement.

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or determined if this prospectus supplement or the accompanying base prospectus is truthful or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

Citigroup

**Credit Suisse** 

**Wells Fargo Securities** 

The date of this prospectus supplement is November 19, 2013.

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## ABOUT THIS PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT

This document is in two parts. The first part is this prospectus supplement, which describes our business and the specific terms of this offering. The second part is the accompanying base prospectus, which gives more general information, some of which may not apply to this offering. Generally, when we refer only to the prospectus, we are referring to both parts combined. If the information about the offering varies between this prospectus supplement and the accompanying base prospectus, you should rely on the information in this prospectus supplement.

Any statement made in this prospectus or in a document incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference into this prospectus will be deemed to be modified or superseded for purposes of this prospectus to the extent that a statement contained in this prospectus or in any other subsequently filed document that is also incorporated by reference into this prospectus modifies or supersedes that statement. Any statement so modified or superseded will not be deemed, except as so modified or superseded, to constitute a part of this prospectus. Please read Information Incorporated by Reference on page S-13 of this prospectus supplement.

You should rely only on the information contained in or incorporated by reference into this prospectus supplement, the accompanying base prospectus and any free writing prospectus prepared by or on behalf of us relating to this offering. Neither we nor any of the Sales Agents have authorized anyone to provide you with additional or different information. If anyone provides you with additional, different or inconsistent information, you should not rely on it. We are offering to sell the common units, and seeking offers to buy the common units, only in jurisdictions where offers and sales are permitted. You should not assume that the information contained in this prospectus supplement, the accompanying base prospectus or any free writing prospectus is accurate as of any date other than the dates shown in these documents or that any information we have incorporated by reference herein is accurate as of any date other than the date of the document incorporated by reference. Our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects may have changed since such dates.

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### **SUMMARY**

This summary highlights information contained elsewhere in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying base prospectus. It does not contain all of the information that you should consider before making an investment decision. You should read this entire prospectus supplement, the accompanying base prospectus and the documents incorporated herein by reference for a more complete understanding of our business and this offering, as well as material tax and other considerations that may be important to you in making your investment decision. Please read Risk Factors beginning on page S-3 of this prospectus supplement, in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012 and in our Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q for the three months ended June 30, 2013 and for the three months ended September 30, 2013 for information regarding risks you should consider before investing in our common units.

Throughout this prospectus supplement, when we use the terms we, us, our or the partnership, we are referring either to Spectra Energy Partners, LP in its individual capacity or to Spectra Energy Partners, LP and its operating subsidiaries collectively, as the context requires. References in this prospectus supplement to our general partner refer to Spectra Energy Partners (DE) GP, LP and/or Spectra Energy Partners GP, LLC, the general partner of Spectra Energy Partners (DE) GP, LP, as appropriate.

## Spectra Energy Partners, LP

Spectra Energy Partners, LP, through its subsidiaries and equity affiliates, is engaged in the transportation and gathering of natural gas through interstate pipeline systems, with over 17,000 miles of transmission and gathering pipelines, and the storage of natural gas in underground facilities, with aggregate working gas storage capacity of approximately 150 billion cubic feet. As a result of our acquisition on August 2, 2013 of an interest in the Express-Platte crude oil pipeline system (Express-Platte System), we are also engaged in the transportation and storage of crude oil. We are a Delaware master limited partnership (MLP) formed on March 19, 2007.

Our assets are strategically located in geographic regions of the United States and Canada where demand primarily for natural gas for electricity generation is expected to increase steadily. We have a broad mix of customers, including local gas distribution companies, municipal utilities, interstate and intrastate pipelines, direct industrial users, electric power generators, marketers and producers and exploration and production companies. Our U.S. interstate oil and gas transmission pipeline and storage operations are regulated by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission with the exception of our Moss Bluff intrastate storage operations, the intrastate storage facilities of the Express-Platte System located in Wyoming and the Ozark gathering facilities, which are subject to oversight by various state commissions. Our Canadian pipeline and storage operations are regulated by Canada s National Energy Board.

On November 1, 2013 we completed the transactions contemplated by the Contribution Agreement dated August 5, 2013 with Spectra Energy Corp (Spectra Energy) pursuant to which Spectra Energy contributed to us substantially all of its interests in its subsidiaries (the Contributed Entities) that own U.S. transmission, storage and liquids assets and to assign to us its interest in certain related contracts. The assets owned by the Contributed Entities include natural gas, crude oil and natural gas liquids pipelines and storage facilities that provide transportation and storage services for local distribution companies, electric power generators, exploration and production companies, and industrial and commercial customers, as well as energy marketers.

Our wholly owned operations and activities are managed by our general partner, Spectra Energy Partners (DE) GP, LP, which in turn is managed by its general partner, Spectra Energy Partners GP, LLC (SEP GP LLC). SEP GP LLC is wholly owned by a subsidiary of Spectra Energy Corp. Spectra Energy is a separate, publicly traded entity which trades on the NYSE under the symbol SE.

## Our Relationship with Spectra Energy

Spectra Energy currently owns directly or indirectly an approximate 82% interest in us in the form of common units and, through our general partner, a 2% general partner interest in us, as of November 18, 2013.

Our principal executive offices are located at 5400 Westheimer Court, Houston, Texas 77056, and our telephone number is 713-627-5400.

## THE OFFERING

Common Units Offered Common units having an aggregate offering price of up to \$400,000,000.

Use of Proceeds We intend to use the net proceeds from this offering, including our general partner s

proportionate capital contribution, after deducting the Sales Agents commissions and our offering expenses, for general partnership purposes, which may include, among other things, repayment of indebtedness, acquisitions, capital expenditures and additions to

working capital. Please read Use of Proceeds.

Exchange Listing Our common units are traded on the NYSE under the symbol SEP.

Risk Factors

There are risks associated with this offering and our business. You should consider carefully the risk factors on page S-3 of this prospectus supplement and the other risks identified in the documents incorporated by reference herein before making a decision to

purchase common units in this offering.

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## RISK FACTORS

An investment in our common units involves risk. You should carefully consider the risk factors set forth in Item 1A. Risk Factors of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2012 and in our Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q for the three months ended June 30, 2013 and for the three months ended September 30, 2013, together with all of the other information included in, or incorporated by reference into, this prospectus supplement and the accompanying base prospectus, when evaluating an investment in our common units. If any of these risks were to occur, our business, financial condition or results of operations could be materially adversely affected. In that case, the trading price of our common units could decline and you could lose all or part of your investment.

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### USE OF PROCEEDS

We intend to use the net proceeds of this offering, including our general partner s proportionate capital contribution, after deducting the Sales Agents commissions and our offering expenses, for general partnership purposes, which may include, among other things, repayment of indebtedness, acquisitions, capital expenditures and additions to working capital.

Affiliates of the Sales Agents are lenders under our credit facility and affiliates of the Sales Agents may in the future hold our commercial paper. To the extent we use proceeds from this offering to repay indebtedness under our credit facility or our commercial paper program, such affiliates may receive proceeds from this offering. Please read Plan of Distribution in this prospectus supplement for further information.

As of November 18, 2013, we had no amounts outstanding under our \$2 billion credit facility and had issued \$372 million of commercial paper which reduces our drawing capacity under the credit facility. The credit facility matures on November 1, 2018, which we may extend for up to two additional one-year periods.

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## CERTAIN UNITED STATES FEDERAL INCOME TAX CONSIDERATIONS

The tax consequences to you of an investment in our common units will depend in part on your own tax circumstances. For a discussion of the principal federal income tax considerations associated with our operations and the purchase, ownership and disposition of our common units, please read Material Tax Consequences beginning on page 46 in the accompanying base prospectus. You are urged to consult with your own tax advisor about the federal, state, local and foreign tax consequences particular to your circumstances.

### PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION

We have entered into an equity distribution agreement with Citigroup Global Markets Inc., Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC and Wells Fargo Securities, LLC as sales agents, under which we are permitted to offer and sell common units having an aggregate offering price of up to \$400,000,000 from time to time. We will file the equity distribution agreement as an exhibit to a Current Report on Form 8-K, which will be incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement. The sales, if any, of common units made under the equity distribution agreement will be made by means of ordinary brokers—transactions through the facilities of the NYSE, any other national securities exchange or facility thereof, a trading facility of a national securities association or an alternate trading system, to or through a market maker or directly on or through an electronic communication network, a dark pool—or any similar market venue, at market prices, in block transactions, or as otherwise as agreed upon by one or more of the Sales Agents and us. The Sales Agents will not engage in any transactions that stabilize the price of our common units.

Under the terms of the equity distribution agreement, we also may sell common units to one or more of the Sales Agents as principal for its own account at a price agreed upon at the time of sale. If we sell common units to one or more of the Sales Agents as principal, we will enter into a separate agreement with such Sales Agent and we will describe this agreement in a separate prospectus supplement or pricing supplement.

We will designate the maximum amount of common units to be sold through the Sales Agents on a daily basis or otherwise as we and the Sales Agents agree and the minimum price per common unit at which such common units may be sold. Subject to the terms and conditions of the equity distribution agreement, the Sales Agents will use their reasonable efforts to sell on our behalf all of the designated common units. We may instruct the Sales Agents not to sell any common units if the sales cannot be effected at or above the price designated by us in any such instruction. We or the Sales Agents may suspend the offering of common units at any time and from time to time by notifying the other party.

The Sales Agents will provide to us written confirmation following the close of trading on the New York Stock Exchange each day in which common units are sold under the equity distribution agreement. Each confirmation will include the number of common units sold on that day, the gross sales proceeds and the net proceeds to us (after regulatory transaction fees, if any, but before other expenses). We will report at least quarterly the number of common units sold through the Sales Agents under the equity distribution agreement, the net proceeds to us (before expenses) and the commissions of the Sales Agents in connection with the sales of the common units.

We will pay the Sales Agents a commission of up to 2% of the gross sales price per common unit sold through it as our agent under the equity distribution agreement. We have agreed to reimburse the Sales Agents for certain of their expenses.

Settlement for sales of common units will occur on the third business day following the date on which any sales were made in return for payment of the net proceeds to us. There is no arrangement for funds to be received in an escrow, trust or similar arrangement.

If we or any of the Sales Agents have reason to believe that our common units are no longer an actively-traded security as defined under Rule 101(c)(l) of Regulation M under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, that party will promptly notify the others and sales of common units pursuant to the equity distribution agreement or any terms agreement will be suspended until in our collective judgment Rule 101(c)(1) or another exemptive provision has been satisfied.

The offering of common units pursuant to the equity distribution agreement will terminate upon the earlier of (1) the sale of all common units subject to the equity distribution agreement or (2) the termination of the equity distribution agreement by us or by the Sales Agents.

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In connection with the sale of the common units on our behalf, each of the Sales Agents will be deemed to be an underwriter within the meaning of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (Securities Act), and the compensation paid to the Sales Agents may be deemed to be underwriting commissions or discounts. We have agreed to provide indemnification and contribution to the Sales Agents against certain liabilities, including civil liabilities under the Securities Act.

The Sales Agents and/or affiliates of each of the Sales Agents have, from time to time, performed, and may in the future perform, various financial advisory and commercial and investment banking services for us and our affiliates, for which they have received and in the future will receive customary compensation and expense reimbursement. Affiliates of the Sales Agents are lenders under our credit facility and affiliates of the Sales Agents may in the future hold our commercial paper. To the extent we use proceeds from this offering to repay indebtedness under our credit facility or our commercial paper program, such affiliates may receive proceeds from this offering. Because FINRA views the common units offered hereby as interests in a direct participation program, this offering is being made in compliance with Rule 2310 of the FINRA Rules.

## **Selling Restrictions**

## Notice to Prospective Investors in the EEA

In relation to each member state of the European Economic Area that has implemented the Prospectus Directive (each, a relevant member state), other than Germany, with effect from and including the date on which the Prospectus Directive is implemented in that relevant member state (the relevant implementation date), an offer of securities described in this prospectus may not be made to the public in that relevant member state other than:

to any legal entity which is a qualified investor as defined in the Prospectus Directive;

to fewer than 100 or, if the relevant member state has implemented the relevant provision of the 2010 PD Amending Directive, 150, natural or legal persons (other than qualified investors as defined in the Prospectus Directive), as permitted under the Prospectus Directive, subject to obtaining the prior consent of the relevant Dealer or Dealers nominated by the Issuer for any such offer; or

in any other circumstances falling within Article 3(2) of the Prospectus Directive;

provided that no such offer of securities shall require us or any underwriter to publish a prospectus pursuant to Article 3 of the Prospectus Directive.

For purposes of this provision, the expression an offer of securities to the public in any relevant member state means the communication in any form and by any means of sufficient information on the terms of the offer and the securities to be offered so as to enable an investor to decide to purchase or subscribe for the securities, as the expression may be varied in that member state by any measure implementing the Prospectus Directive in that member state, and the expression Prospectus Directive means Directive 2003/71/EC (and amendments thereto, including the 2010 PD Amending Directive, to the extent implemented in the relevant member state), and includes any relevant implementing measure in each relevant member state. The expression 2010 PD Amending Directive means Directive 2010/73/EU.

We have not authorized and do not authorize the making of any offer of securities through any financial intermediary on their behalf, other than offers made by the underwriters with a view to the final placement of the securities as contemplated in this prospectus. Accordingly, no purchaser of the securities, other than the underwriters, is authorized to make any further offer of the securities on behalf of us or the underwriters.

Notice to Prospective Investors in the United Kingdom

Our partnership may constitute a collective investment scheme as defined by section 235 of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (FSMA) that is not a recognised collective investment scheme for the purposes

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of FSMA (CIS) and that has not been authorised or otherwise approved. As an unregulated scheme, it cannot be marketed in the United Kingdom to the general public, except in accordance with FSMA. This prospectus is only being distributed in the United Kingdom to, and is only directed at:

- (1) if our partnership is a CIS and is marketed by a person who is an authorised person under FSMA, (a) investment professionals falling within Article 14(5) of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (Promotion of Collective Investment Schemes) (Exemptions) Order 2001, as amended (the CIS Promotion Order) or (b) high net worth companies and other persons falling within Article 22(2)(a) to (d) of the CIS Promotion Order; or
- (2) otherwise, if marketed by a person who is not an authorised person under FSMA, (a) persons who fall within Article 19(5) of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (Financial Promotion) Order 2005, as amended (the Financial Promotion Order) or (b) Article 49(2)(a) to (d) of the Financial Promotion Order; and
- (3) in both cases (1) and (2) to any other person to whom it may otherwise lawfully be made (all such persons together being referred to as relevant persons).

Our partnership s common units are only available to, and any invitation, offer or agreement to subscribe, purchase or otherwise acquire such common units will be engaged in only with, relevant persons. Any person who is not a relevant person should not act or rely on this document or any of its contents.

An invitation or inducement to engage in investment activity (within the meaning of Section 21 of FSMA) in connection with the issue or sale of any common units which are the subject of the offering contemplated by this prospectus will only be communicated or caused to be communicated in circumstances in which Section 21(1) of FSMA does not apply to our partnership.

## Notice to Prospective Investors in Switzerland

This prospectus is being communicated in Switzerland to a small number of selected investors only. Each copy of this prospectus is addressed to a specifically named recipient and may not be copied, reproduced, distributed or passed on to third parties. Our common units are not being offered to the public in Switzerland, and neither this prospectus, nor any other offering materials relating to our common units may be distributed in connection with any such public offering. We have not been registered with the Swiss Financial Market Supervisory Authority FINMA as a foreign collective investment scheme pursuant to Article 120 of the Collective Investment Schemes Act of June 23, 2006 (CISA). Accordingly, our common units may not be offered to the public in or from Switzerland, and neither this prospectus, nor any other offering materials relating to our common units may be made available through a public offering in or from Switzerland. Our common units may only be offered and this prospectus may only be distributed in or from Switzerland by way of private placement exclusively to qualified investors (as this term is defined in the CISA and its implementing ordinance).

## Notice to Prospective Investors in Germany

This document has not been prepared in accordance with the requirements for a securities or sales prospectus under the German Securities Prospectus Act (*Wertpapierprospektgesetz*), the Capital Investment Act (*Vermögensanlagengesetz*), or the German Investment Act (Investmentgesetz). Neither the German Federal Financial Services Supervisory Authority (*Bundesanstalt für Finanzdienstleistungsaufsicht* BaFin) nor any other German authority has been notified of the intention to distribute our common units in Germany. Consequently, our common units may not be distributed in Germany by way of public offering, public advertisement or in any similar

manner and this document and any other document relating to the offering, as well as information or statements contained therein, may not be supplied to the public in Germany or used in connection with any offer for subscription of our common units to the public in Germany or any other means of public marketing. Our common units are being offered and sold in Germany only to qualified investors which are

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referred to in Section 3, paragraph 2 no. 1, in connection with Section 2, no. 6, of the German Securities Prospectus Act, Section 2 no. 4 of the German Capital Investment Act, and in Section 2 paragraph 11 sentence 2 no. 1 of the German Investment Act. This document is strictly for use of the person who has received it. It may not be forwarded to other persons or published in Germany.

The offering does not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy our common units in any circumstances in which such offer or solicitation is unlawful.

## Notice to Prospective Investors in the Netherlands

Our common units may not be offered or sold, directly or indirectly, in the Netherlands, other than to qualified investors (*gekwalificeerde beleggers*) within the meaning of Article 1:1 of the Dutch Financial Supervision Act (*Wet op het financiael toezicht*).

## Notice to Prospective Investors in Hong Kong

The common units have not been offered or sold and will not be offered or sold in Hong Kong, by means of any document, other than (a) to professional investors—as defined in the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Cap. 571) of Hong Kong and any rules made under that Ordinance; or (b) in other circumstances which do not result in the document being a prospectus—as defined in the Companies Ordinance (Cap. 32) of Hong Kong or which do not constitute an offer to the public within the meaning of that Ordinance. No advertisement, invitation or document relating to the common units has been or may be issued or has been or may be in the possession of any person for the purposes of issue, whether in Hong Kong or elsewhere, which is directed at, or the contents of which are likely to be accessed or read by, the public of Hong Kong (except if permitted to do so under the securities laws of Hong Kong) other than with respect to common units which are or are intended to be disposed of only to persons outside Hong Kong or only to professional investors—as defined in the Securities and Futures Ordinance and any rules made under that Ordinance.

## Notice to Prospective Investors in Australia

No placement document, prospectus, product disclosure statement or other disclosure document has been lodged with the Australian Securities and Investments Commission (ASIC), in relation to the offering. This prospectus does not constitute a prospectus, product disclosure statement or other disclosure document under the Corporations Act 2001 (the Corporations Act), and does not purport to include the information required for a prospectus, product disclosure statement or other disclosure document under the Corporations Act.

Any offer in Australia of the common units may only be made to persons (the Exempt Investors ), who are:

(a) sophisticated investors (within the meaning of section 708(8) of the Corporations Act), professional investors (within the meaning of section 708(11) of the Corporations Act) or otherwise pursuant to one or more exemptions contained in section 708 of the Corporations Act; and

(b) wholesale clients (within the meaning of section 761G of the Corporations Act),

so that it is lawful to offer the common units without disclosure to investors under Chapters 6D and 7

of the Corporations Act.

The common units applied for by Exempt Investors in Australia must not be offered for sale in Australia in the period of 12 months after the date of allotment under the offering, except in circumstances where disclosure to investors under Chapters 6D and 7 of the Corporations Act would not be required pursuant to an exemption under both section 708 and Subdivision B of Division 2 of Part 7.9 of the Corporations Act or otherwise or where the offer is pursuant to a disclosure document which complies with Chapters 6D and 7 of the Corporations Act.

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Any person acquiring common units must observe such Australian on-sale restrictions. This prospectus contains general information only and does not take account of the investment objectives, financial situation or particular needs of any particular person. It does not contain any securities recommendations or financial product advice. Before making an investment decision, investors need to consider whether the information in this prospectus is appropriate to their needs, objectives and circumstances, and, if necessary, seek expert advice on those matters.

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### LEGAL MATTERS

The validity of the common units offered in this prospectus supplement will be passed upon for us by Vinson & Elkins L.L.P., Houston, Texas. Certain legal matters will be passed upon for the Sales Agents by Baker Botts L.L.P., Houston, Texas.

### **EXPERTS**

The consolidated financial statements of Spectra Energy Partners, LP and subsidiaries, and the related financial statement schedule, incorporated in this prospectus by reference from Spectra Energy Partners, LP s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012, and the effectiveness of Spectra Energy Partners, LP s internal control over financial reporting have been audited by Deloitte & Touche LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, as stated in their report, which is incorporated herein by reference. Such consolidated financial statements and financial statement schedule have been so incorporated in reliance upon the report of such firm given upon their authority as experts in accounting and auditing.

The financial statements of Gulfstream Natural Gas System, L.L.C., incorporated in this prospectus by reference from Spectra Energy Partners, LP s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012, have been audited by Deloitte & Touche LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, as stated in their report, which is incorporated herein by reference. Such financial statements have been so incorporated in reliance upon the report of such firm given upon their authority as experts in accounting and auditing.

The consolidated financial statements of Market Hub Partners Holding and subsidiaries, incorporated in this prospectus by reference from Spectra Energy Partners, LP s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012, have been audited by Deloitte & Touche LLP, independent auditors, as stated in their report, which is incorporated herein by reference. Such consolidated financial statements have been so incorporated in reliance upon the report of such firm given upon their authority as experts in accounting and auditing.

The consolidated financial statements of Express Holdings (USA) Inc. as of December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010, and for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2012, have been incorporated by reference herein in reliance upon the report of KPMG LLP, independent auditors, incorporated by reference herein, and upon the authority of said firm as experts in accounting and auditing.

The combined consolidated financial statements of Express Canada (consisting of 1108437 Alberta Ltd., Express Pipeline Ltd., Express Holdings (Canada) Limited Partnership and Express Pipeline Limited Partnership), as of December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010, and for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2012, have been incorporated by reference herein in reliance upon the report of KPMG LLP, independent auditors, incorporated by reference herein, and upon the authority of said firm as experts in accounting and auditing.

The combined financial statements of the Contributed Entities (as defined in Note 1 to the combined financial statements filed as Exhibit 99.5 to Spectra Energy Partners, LP s Current Report on Form 8-K/A dated August 29, 2013) incorporated in this prospectus by reference from Spectra Energy Partners, LP s Current Report on Form 8-K/A dated August 29, 2013, have been audited by Deloitte & Touche LLP, independent auditors, as stated in their report, which is incorporated herein by reference. Such combined financial statements have been so incorporated in reliance upon the report of such firm given upon their authority as experts in accounting and auditing.

### FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

Some of the information included in this prospectus supplement and the documents we incorporate by reference herein contain forward-looking statements. All statements that are not statements of historical facts, including statements regarding our future financial position, business strategy, budgets, projected costs and plans and objectives of management for future operations, are forward-looking statements. You can typically identify forward-looking statements by the use of forward-looking words, such as may, could, project, believe, anticipate, expect, estimate, potential, plan, forecast and other similar words. When considering forward-looking statements, you should keep in mind the risk factors and other cautionary statements in this prospectus supplement, the accompanying base prospectus and the documents we have incorporated by reference.

These forward-looking statements reflect our intentions, plans, expectations, assumptions and beliefs about future events and are subject to risks, uncertainties and other factors, many of which are outside our control. Important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from the expectations expressed or implied in the forward-looking statements include known and unknown risks. Known risks and uncertainties include, but are not limited to, the risks set forth in Risk Factors beginning on page S-3 in this prospectus supplement and in Item 1A. Risk Factors in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012 and in our Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q for the three months ended March 31, 2013, June 30, 2013 and September 30, 2013, as well as the following risks and uncertainties:

state and federal legislative and regulatory initiatives that affect cost and investment recovery, have an effect on rate structure, and affect the speed at and degree to which competition enters the oil and natural gas industries;

outcomes of litigation and regulatory investigations, proceedings or inquiries;

weather and other natural phenomena, including the economic, operational and other effects of hurricanes and storms;

the timing and extent of changes in interest rates;

general economic conditions, including the risk of a prolonged economic slowdown or decline, or the risk of delay in a recovery, which can affect the long-term demand for oil and natural gas and related services;

potential effects arising from terrorist attacks and any consequential or other hostilities;

changes in environmental, safety and other laws and regulations;

the development of alternative energy resources;

results and costs of financing efforts, including the ability to obtain financing on favorable terms, which can be affected by various factors, including credit ratings and general market and economic conditions;

increases in the cost of goods and services required to complete capital projects;

growth in opportunities, including the timing and success of efforts to develop U.S. and Canadian pipeline, storage, gathering and other related infrastructure projects and the effects of competition;

the performance of oil and natural gas transmission, storage and gathering facilities;

the extent of success in connecting oil and natural gas supplies to transmission and gathering systems and in connecting to expanding markets;

the effect of accounting pronouncements issued periodically by accounting standard-setting bodies;

conditions of the capital markets during the periods covered by these forward-looking statements; and

the ability to successfully complete merger, acquisition or divestiture plans; regulatory or other limitations imposed as a result of a merger, acquisition or divestiture; and the success of the business following a merger, acquisition or divestiture.

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You should read these statements carefully because they discuss our expectations about our future performance, contain projections of our future operating results or our future financial condition, or state other forward-looking information. Before you invest, you should be aware that the occurrence of any of the events described in Risk Factors beginning on page S-3 in this prospectus supplement and in Item 1A. Risk Factors in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012 and in our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the three months ended September 30, 2013, and in the other documents incorporated by reference into this prospectus supplement could substantially harm our business, results of operations and financial condition. In light of these risks, uncertainties and assumptions, the events described in the forward-looking statements might not occur or might occur to a different extent or at a different time than we have described. We undertake no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

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### INFORMATION INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

We file annual, quarterly and other reports with and furnish other information to the Securities and Exchange Commission, or SEC. You may read and copy any document we file with or furnish to the SEC at the SEC s public reference room at 100 F Street, NE, Room 1580, Washington, D.C. 20549. Please call the SEC at 1-800-732-0330 for further information on their public reference room. Our SEC filings are also available at the SEC s web site at http://www.sec.gov.

The SEC allows us to incorporate by reference the information we have filed with the SEC. This means that we can disclose important information to you without actually including the specific information in this prospectus supplement by referring you to those documents. The information incorporated by reference is an important part of this prospectus supplement. Information that we file later with the SEC will automatically update and may replace information in this prospectus supplement and information previously filed with the SEC. We incorporate by reference the documents listed below and any future filings made with the SEC under Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act (excluding any information furnished under Items 2.02 or 7.01 on any current report on Form 8-K), including all such documents we may file with the SEC after the date of this prospectus supplement and until the termination of this offering:

Our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012;

Our Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q for the quarterly periods ended March 31, 2013, June 30, 2013 and September 30, 2013; and

Our Current Reports on Form 8-K, as filed with the SEC on April 8, 2013, May 3, 2013, August 2, 2013, August 6, 2013, September 20, 2013, September 25, 2013 and November 1, 2013.

Our Current Reports on Form 8-K/A, as filed with the SEC on August 29, 2013 and November 18, 2013.

You may obtain any of the documents incorporated by reference in this prospectus from the SEC through the SEC s website at the address provided above. You may request a copy of any document incorporated by reference into this prospectus (including exhibits to those documents specifically incorporated by reference in this document), at no cost, by visiting our website at http://www.spectraenergypartners.com, or by writing or calling us at the following address:

Spectra Energy Partners, LP

5400 Westheimer Court

Houston, Texas 77056

Attention: Secretary

Telephone: (713) 627-5400

The information contained on our website is not part of this prospectus supplement.

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## **PROSPECTUS**

# Spectra Energy Partners, LP

## **Common Units**

## **Debt Securities**

We may offer, from time to time, in one or more series:

common units representing limited partnership interests in Spectra Energy Partners, LP; and

debt securities of Spectra Energy Partners, LP, which may be either senior debt securities or subordinated debt securities. The securities we may offer:

will be offered at prices and on terms to be set forth in one or more accompanying prospectus supplements; and

may be offered separately or together, or in separate series.

Our common units are traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol SEP. We will provide information in the prospectus supplement for the trading market, if any, for any debt securities we may offer.

This prospectus provides you with a general description of the securities we may offer. Each time we offer to sell securities we will provide a prospectus supplement that will contain specific information about those securities and the terms of that offering, including the specific manner in which we will offer the securities. The prospectus supplement also may add, update or change information contained in this prospectus. This prospectus may be used to offer and sell securities only if accompanied by a prospectus supplement. You should read this prospectus and any prospectus supplement carefully before you invest. You should also carefully read the documents we refer to in the Where You Can Find More Information section of this prospectus for information on us and our financial statements.

Our principal executive offices are located at 5400 Westheimer Court, Houston, Texas 77056. Our telephone number is (713) 627-5400.

Investing in our securities involves risks. You should carefully consider each of the factors described under Risk Factors, which begin on page 5 of this prospectus, before you make an investment in our securities.

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or passed upon the adequacy or accuracy of this prospectus. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

The date of this prospectus is September 11, 2013

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