### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

### FORM 8-K

**CURRENT REPORT** 

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the

**Securities Exchange Act of 1934** 

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): April 26, 2005

### SUNOCO LOGISTICS PARTNERS L.P.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 1-31219 (Commission file number) 23-3096839 (IRS employer identification no.)

19103-1699

(Zip Code)

Ten Penn Center, 1801 Market Street, Philadelphia, PA (Address of principal executive offices)

215-977-3000

Registrant's telephone number, including area code

NOT APPLICABLE

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

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#### Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

The press release announcing the financial results for Sunoco Logistics Partners L.P.'s (the "Partnership") 2005 first quarter is attached as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

The information in this report, being furnished pursuant to Item 2.02 and 7.01 of Form 8-K, shall not be deemed to be "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that Section, and is not incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

#### Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure.

On April 25, 2005, the Partnership issued a press release announcing its financial results for the first quarter 2005. Additional information concerning the Partnership's first quarter earnings was presented to investors in a teleconference call April 26, 2005. A copy of the slide presentation is attached as Exhibit 99.2 and is incorporated herein by reference.

#### Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (c) Exhibit
  - 99.1 Press release dated April 25, 2005.
  - 99.2 Slide presentation given April 26, 2005 during investor teleconference.

#### **Forward-Looking Statement**

Statements contained in the exhibits to this report that state the Partnership's or its management's expectations or predictions of the future are forward-looking statements. The Partnership's actual results could differ materially from those projected in such forward-looking statements. Factors that could affect those results include those mentioned in the documents that the Partnership has filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

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#### SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

#### SUNOCO LOGISTICS PARTNERS L.P.

By: Sunoco Partners LLC, its General Partner (Registrant)

Date April 26, 2005

/s/ Sean P. McGrath

Sean P. McGrath Comptroller (Principal Accounting Officer)

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#### EXHIBIT INDEX

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Exhibit 99.1



News Release

Sunoco Logistics Partners L.P. 1801 Market Street Philadelphia, Pa. 19103-1699

For release: 5:00 p.m. April 25, 2005

For further information contact: Jerry Davis (media) 215-977-6298 Colin Oerton (investors) 866-248-4344

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#### SUNOCO LOGISTICS PARTNERS L.P. REPORTS FIRST QUARTER 2005 RESULTS

PHILADELPHIA, April 25, 2005 – Sunoco Logistics Partners L.P. (NYSE: SXL) today announced net income for the first quarter 2005 of \$15.3 million, or \$0.59 per limited partner unit on a diluted basis, compared with \$13.0 million for the first quarter 2004, or \$0.54 per limited partner unit on a diluted basis. The \$2.3 million quarter over quarter increase was due mainly to the operating results of recent acquisitions and higher Terminal Facilities and Western crude oil pipeline system revenues, partially offset by lower Western Pipeline System lease acquisition margins.

Sunoco Partners LLC, the general partner of Sunoco Logistics Partners L.P., also declared a cash distribution for the first quarter 2005 of \$0.625 per common and subordinated partnership unit (\$2.50 annualized) payable May 13, 2005 to unitholders of record on May 6, 2005.

"We are pleased with the results we achieved this quarter," said Deborah M. Fretz, President and Chief Executive Officer. "Higher results from our Western Pipeline System and record earnings for our Terminal business more than offset lower results from the Domestic Lease Acquisition group due to the shift from a backwardated to a contango market. The continued strength in our overall business has resulted in the declaration of a quarterly distribution of \$0.625 per unit, representing a 9.6 percent increase over the first quarter of 2004, demonstrating our commitment to growth."

#### **Segmented First Quarter Results**

#### Eastern Pipeline System

Operating income for the Eastern Pipeline System increased \$0.7 million to \$8.7 million for the first quarter 2005 from \$8.0 million for the first quarter 2004. This increase was primarily the result of a \$0.8 million increase in sales and other operating revenue and a \$0.6 million increase in other income, partially offset by a \$0.7 million increase in operating expenses. Sales and other operating revenue increased from \$22.7 million for the prior year's quarter to \$23.5 million for the first quarter 2005 mainly due to an increase in total shipments and higher revenue per barrel mile. The increase in shipments was principally due to higher volumes on the Harbor pipeline, resulting from the acquisition of an additional one-third interest in June 2004, and higher comparative volumes in the first quarter of

2005 on other product pipelines as a result of a turnaround at Sunoco, Inc.'s Toledo, Ohio refinery in March 2004. These items were partially offset by lower throughput on the Marysville to Toledo crude oil pipeline due mainly to production issues at two third-party Canadian synthetic crude oil plants as a result of fire damage. Management expects crude oil throughput on this pipeline to be reduced through the third quarter of 2005 due to the reduced production at one of these facilities. Other income increased \$0.6 million to \$3.1 million for the first quarter 2005, which includes an increase in joint venture equity income. Operating expenses increased to \$10.6 million for the first quarter 2005 from \$9.9 million for the prior year's quarter due mainly to the timing of scheduled maintenance activity.

#### **Terminal Facilities**

The Terminal Facilities business segment had operating income of \$9.5 million for the first quarter 2005, an increase of \$2.3 million from \$7.2 million for the prior year's first quarter. Sales and other operating revenue increased \$4.6 million from the prior year's first quarter to \$27.9 million for the first quarter 2005 due primarily to the acquisition of the Eagle Point logistics assets in March 2004, the purchase of two refined product terminals located in Baltimore, Maryland and Manassas, Virginia in April 2004, and the acquisition of a refined product terminal located in Columbus, Ohio in November 2004. In addition, the Nederland Terminal and the Partnership's other refined product terminals experienced increases in both volumes and revenues from the prior year's quarter. Operating expenses increased \$1.4 million from the prior year's first quarter to \$11.0 million for the first quarter 2005 due principally to the expenses associated with the acquired assets, partially offset by a decline in maintenance expenses for the Fort Mifflin Terminal due to non-routine dredging activity on the Delaware River in the prior year. Depreciation and amortization increased \$0.6 million to \$4.1 million for the first quarter 2005 due mainly to depreciation on the assets acquired.

#### Western Pipeline System

Operating income for the Western Pipeline System decreased \$0.3 million to \$2.3 million for the first quarter 2005 from \$2.6 million for the first quarter 2004. The decrease was primarily the result of lower lease acquisition margins, partially offset by higher crude oil pipeline volumes and lower pipeline operating expenses. The increase in pipeline volumes was due mainly to higher throughput on the Nederland to Longview, Texas pipeline and the absence in the current quarter of a turnaround at Sunoco, Inc.'s Tulsa refinery, which occurred in March 2004. Total revenues and cost of products sold and operating expenses increased in the first quarter 2005 compared with the prior year's quarter due principally to an increase in the price of crude oil, partially offset by a decrease in lease acquisition bulk volumes. The average price of West Texas Intermediate crude oil at Cushing, Oklahoma, increased to an average price of \$49.90 per barrel for the first quarter 2005 from \$35.16 per barrel for the first quarter 2004.

#### **Other Analysis**

#### **Financing Costs**

Net interest expense increased \$0.4 million to \$5.2 million for the first quarter 2005 from \$4.8 million for the prior year's quarter due to higher short-term interest rates on borrowings under the Partnership's credit facility. Total debt outstanding at March 31, 2005 of \$313.3 million consists of

\$248.8 million of the Senior Notes and \$64.5 million of borrowings under the Partnership's credit facility.

#### **Capital Expenditures**

Maintenance capital expenditures increased \$1.5 million from the first quarter of 2004 to \$4.9 million for the first quarter 2005 due primarily to the differences in timing of scheduled maintenance activity between the periods. Management anticipates maintenance capital expenditures, excluding reimbursable amounts under agreements discussed below, to be approximately \$27.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2005. Expansion capital expenditures decreased \$17.3 million to \$2.9 million for the first quarter 2005 due principally to the acquisition of the Eagle Point logistics assets for \$20.0 million in the prior year's first quarter.

#### Reimbursements Under Agreements with Sunoco

Under agreements with Sunoco, the Partnership received reimbursement of \$0.4 million for the first quarter of 2005 for certain maintenance capital expenditures associated with improvements to certain assets incurred during the period. There were no such expenditures incurred during the first quarter of 2004. The reimbursements of these amounts were recorded by the Partnership as capital contributions.

#### Sunoco Logistics Partners L.P. Financial Highlights (in thousands, except units and per unit amounts) (unaudited)

		Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2005	_	2004
Income Statement			
Sales and other operating revenue	\$ 1,011,849	\$	744,907
Other income	3,627		3,169
Total Revenues	1,015,476	_	748,076
Cost of products sold and operating expenses	974,911	_	710,692
Depreciation and amortization	8,122		7,539
Selling, general and administrative expenses	11,917		12,059
Total costs and expenses	994,950	_	730,290
		_	730,290
Operating income	20,526		17,786
Net interest expense	5,228	_	4,775
Net Income	\$ 15,298	\$	13,011
Calculation of Limited Partners' interest:			
Net Income	\$ 15,298	\$	13,011
Less: General Partner's interest	(922)		(495)
Limited Partners' interest in Net Income	\$ 14,376	\$	12,516
Net Income per Limited Partner unit:		-	
Basic	\$ 0.60	\$	0.55
Diluted	\$ 0.59	\$	0.54
		-	
Weighted average Limited Partners' units outstanding: Basic	24,090,548		22,771,793
Dasit	24,050,540	-	22,771,793
Diluted	24,288,379	_	22,975,315
Capital Expenditure Data:		_	
Maintenance capital expenditures	\$ 4,901	\$	
Expansion capital expenditures	2,940	_	20,170
Total	\$ 7,841	\$	23,585
		March 31, 2005	
Balance Sheet Data (at period end):		_	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 32		\$ 52,660
Total Debt		3,347	313,305
Total Partners' Capital	458	3,393	460,594

#### Sunoco Logistics Partners L.P. Earnings Contribution by Business Segment (in thousands, unaudited)

		Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2005	2004	
Eastern Pipeline System:			
Sales and other operating revenue	\$ 23,504	\$ 22,724	
Other income	3,071	2,480	
Total Revenues	26,575	25,204	
Operating expenses	10,617	9,964	
Depreciation and amortization	2,599	2,700	
Selling, general and administrative expenses	4,659	4,569	
Operating Income	\$ 8,700	\$ 7,971	
Terminal Facilities:			
Total Revenues	\$ 27,928	\$ 23,370	
Operating expenses	11,039	9,606	
Depreciation and amortization	4,084	3,453	
Selling, general and administrative expenses	3,268	3,129	
Operating Income	\$ 9,537	\$ 7,182	
Western Pipeline System:			
Sales and other operating revenue	\$ 960,418	\$ 698,813	
Other income	555	689	
Total Revenues	960,973	699,502	
Cost of products sold and operating expenses	953,255	691,122	
Depreciation and amortization	1,439	1,386	
Selling, general and administrative expenses	3,990	4,361	
Operating Income	\$ 2,289	\$ 2,633	

#### Sunoco Logistics Partners L.P. Operating Highlights (unaudited)

		Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2005	2004	
Eastern Pipeline System: (1)			
Total shipments (barrel miles per day) <sup>(2)</sup>	55,600,671	54,908,322	
Revenue per barrel mile (cents)	0.470	0.455	
Terminal Facilities:			
Terminal throughput (bpd):			
Refined product terminals	396,022	280,791	
Nederland terminal	491,911	490,308	
Refinery terminals <sup>(3)</sup>	689,789	503,253	
Western Pipeline System: (1)			
Crude oil pipeline throughput (bpd)	317,970	298,516	
Crude oil purchases at wellhead (bpd)	194,848	188,684	
Gross margin per barrel of pipeline throughput (cents) <sup>(4)</sup>	20.0	23.2	

(1) Excludes amounts attributable to equity ownership interests in the corporate joint ventures.

(2) Represents total average daily pipeline throughput multiplied by the number of miles of pipeline through which each barrel has been shipped.

(3) Consists of the Partnership's Fort Mifflin Terminal Complex, the Marcus Hook Tank Farm, and the Eagle Point Dock which was acquired on March 30, 2004.

(4) Represents total segments sales and other operating revenue minus cost of products sold and operating expenses and depreciation and amortization divided by crude oil pipeline throughput.

An investor call with management regarding our first-quarter results is scheduled for Tuesday morning, April 26 at 9:00 am EDT. Those wishing to listen can access the call by dialing (USA toll free) 1-877-297-3442; International (USA toll) 1-706-643-1335 and requesting "Sunoco Logistics Partners Earnings Call, Conference Code 4978530". This event may also be accessed by a webcast, which will be available at www.sunocologistics.com. A number of presentation slides will accompany the audio portion of the call and will be available to be viewed and printed shortly before the call begins. Individuals wishing to listen to the call on the Partnership's web site will need Windows Media Player, which can be downloaded free of charge from Microsoft or from Sunoco Logistics Partners' conference call page. Please allow at least fifteen minutes to complete the download.

Audio replays of the conference call will be available for two weeks after the conference call beginning approximately two hours following the completion of the call. To access the replay, dial 1-800-642-1687. International callers should dial 1-706-645-9291. Please enter Conference ID #4978530.

Sunoco Logistics Partners L.P. (NYSE: SXL), headquartered in Philadelphia, was formed to acquire, own and operate substantially all of Sunoco, Inc.'s refined product and crude oil pipelines and

terminal facilities. The Eastern Pipeline System consists of approximately 1,900 miles of primarily refined product pipelines and interests in four refined products pipelines, consisting of a 9.4 percent interest in Explorer Pipeline Company, a 31.5 percent interest in Wolverine Pipe Line Company, a 12.3 percent interest in West Shore Pipe Line Company and a 14.0 percent interest in Yellowstone Pipe Line Company. The Terminal Facilities consist of 8.9 million barrels of refined product terminal capacity and 16.0 million barrels of crude oil terminal capacity (including 12.5 million barrels of capacity at the Texas Gulf Coast Nederland Terminal). The Western Pipeline System consists of approximately 2,450 miles of crude oil pipelines, located principally in Oklahoma and Texas and a 43.8 percent interest in the West Texas Gulf Pipe Line Company. For additional information visit Sunoco Logistics' web site at www.sunocologistics.com.

NOTE: Those statements made in this release that are not historical facts are forward-looking statements. Although Sunoco Logistics Partners L.P. (the "Partnership") believes that the assumptions underlying these statements are reasonable, investors are cautioned that such forward-looking statements are inherently uncertain and necessarily involve risks that may affect the Partnership's business prospects and performance causing actual results to differ from those discussed in the foregoing release. Such risks and uncertainties include, by way of example and not of limitation: whether or not the transactions described in the foregoing news release will be cash flow accretive; increased competition; changes in demand for crude oil and refined products that we store and distribute; changes in operating conditions and costs; changes in the level of environmental remediation spending; potential equipment malfunction; potential labor issues; the legislative or regulatory environment; plant construction/repair delays; nonperformance by major customers or suppliers; and political and economic conditions, including the impact of potential terrorist acts and international hostilities. These and other applicable risks and uncertainties have been described more fully in the Partnership's Form 10-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 4, 2005. Partnership undertakes no obligation to update any forward-looking statements in this release, whether as a result of new information or future events.

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Sunoco Logistics Partners L.P.



First Quarter 2005 Earnings Conference Call April 26, 2005

### Forward-Looking Statement

You should review this slide presentation in conjunction with the first quarter 2005 earnings conference call for Sunoco Logistics Partners L.P., held on April 26, 2005 at 9:00 a.m. EDT. You may listen to the audio portion of the conference call on <u>www.sunocologistics.com</u>. An audio recording also will be available after the call's completion by dialing 1-800-642-1687. International callers should dial 1-706-645-9291. Please enter Conference ID #4978530.

During the call, those statements we make that are not historical facts are forward-looking statements. Although we believe the assumptions underlying these statements are reasonable, investors are cautioned that such forward-looking statements involve risks that may affect our business prospects and performance, causing actual results to differ from those discussed during the conference call. Such risks and uncertainties include, among other things: our ability to successfully consummate announced acquisitions and integrate them into existing business operations; the ability of announced acquisitions to be cash-flow accretive; increased competition; changes in the demand both for crude oil that we buy and sell, as well as for crude oil and refined products that we store and distribute; the loss of a major customer; changes in our tariff rates; changes in throughput of third-party pipelines that connect to our pipelines and terminals; changes in operating conditions and costs; changes in the level of environmental remediation spending; potential equipment malfunction; potential labor relations problems; the legislative or regulatory environment; plant construction/repair delays; and political and economic conditions, including the impact of potential terrorist acts and international hostilities.

These and other applicable risks and uncertainties are described more fully in our December 31, 2004 Annual Report on Form 10-K, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 4, 2005. We undertake no obligation to update publicly any forward-looking statements whether as a result of new information or future events.

## Q1 2005 Milestones

- First quarter 2005 net income of \$15.3 million or \$0.60 per L.P. unit, as compared to \$13.0 million or \$0.55 per L.P. unit in the prior year quarter
- Record earnings for the Terminal Facilities business segment due to the 2004 Acquisition program
- Quarterly distribution for the first quarter 2005 of \$0.625 per LP unit (\$2.50 annually), a 9.6 percent increase from the prior year's first quarter

# Q1 2005 Financial Highlights

(S in millions, unaudited)	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2005	2004
Sales and other operating revenue Other income	\$1,011.9 3.6	\$744.9 3.2
Total revenues	1,015.5	748.1
Cost of products sold and operating expenses Depreciation and amortization Selling, general and administrative expenses	974.9 8.1 11.9	710.7 7.5 12.1
Total costs and expenses	995.0	730.3
Operating income Net interest expense	20.5 5.2	17.8 4.8
Net income	\$ 15.3	\$ 13.0

## Q1 2005 Financial Highlights

		Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2005	2004	
Calculation of Limited Partners' interest:			
Net Income	\$ 15.3	\$ 13.0	
Less: General Partner's interest	(0.9)	(0.5)	
Limited Partners' interest in Net Income	\$ 14.4	\$ 12.5	
Net Income per Limited Partner unit:			
Basic	\$ 0.60	\$ 0.55	
Diluted	\$ 0.59	\$ 0.54	
Weighted average Limited Partners' units outstanding (in thousands):			
Basis	24,091	22,772	
Diluted	24,288	22,975	

(amounts in millions, except unit and per unit amounts, unaudited)

### Eastern Pipeline System

#### (amounts in millions, unless otherwise noted, unaudited)

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	2005	2004
Financial Highlights		
Sales and other operating revenue	\$ 23.5	\$ 22.7
Other income	3.1	2.5
Total Revenues	26.6	25.2
Operating expenses	10.6	9.9
Depreciation and amortization	2.6	2.7
Selling, general and administrative expenses	4.7	4.6
Operating income	\$ 8.7	\$ 8.0
Operating Highlights (1)		
Total shipments (mm barrel miles per day) <sup>(2)</sup>	55.6	54.9
Revenue per barrel mile (cents)	0.470	0.455

 Excludes amounts attributable to equity ownership interests in the corporate joint ventures.
Represents total average daily pipeline throughput multiplied by the number of miles of pipeline through which each barrel has been shipped.

### **Terminal Facilities**

(amounts in millions, unless otherwise noted, unaudited)

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(	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2005	2004
Financial Highlights		
Total Revenues	\$ 27.9	\$ 23.4
Operating expenses	11.0	9.6
Depreciation and amortization	4.1	3.5
Selling, general and administrative expenses	3.3	3.1
Operating income	\$ 9.5	\$ 7.2
Operating Highlights		
Terminal throughput (000's bpd)		
Refined product terminals	396.0	280.8
Nederland terminal	491.9	490.3
Refinery terminals <sup>(1)</sup>	689.8	503.3

(1) Consists of the Partnership's Fort Mifflin Terminal Complex, the Marcus Hook Tank Farm and the Eagle Point Dock

### Western Pipeline System

(amounts in millions, unless otherwise noted, unaudited)

	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2005	2004
Financial Highlights		
Sales and other operating revenue	\$ 960.4	\$ 698.8
Other income	0.6	0.7
Total Revenues	961.0	699.5
Cost of products sold and operating expenses	953.3	691.1
Depreciation and amortization	1.4	1.4
Selling, general and administrative expenses	4.0	4.4
Operating income	\$ 2.3	\$ 2.6
Operating Highlights (1)		
Crude oil Pipeline throughput (000's bpd)	318.0	298.5
Crude oil purchases at wellhead (000's bpd)	194.8	188.7
Gross margin per barrel of pipeline throughput (cents) (2)	20.0	23.2

 Excludes amounts attributable to equity ownership interests in the corporate joint ventures.
Represents total segment sales and other operating revenue minus cost of products sold and operating expenses and depreciation and amortization divided by crude oil pipeline throughput.

# Q1 2005 Financial Highlights

(S in millions, unaudited)

	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2005	2004
Capital Expenditure Data:		
Maintenance capital expenditures	\$ 4.9	\$ 3.4
Expansion capital expenditures	2.9	20.2
Total	\$ 7.8	\$ 23.6
Reimbursement Under Agreements		
with Sunoco, Inc.	\$ 0.4	\$
	March 31,	December 31,
Balance Sheet Data (at period end):	2005	2004
Cash and cash equivalents		
Total debt	\$ 32.7	\$ 52.7
Total Partners' Capital	313.3	313.3
	458.4	460.6