FORM 3

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* SMITH ROBERT T 2. Date of Event Requiring Statemen (Month/Day/Year) 05/18/2011					3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CVR ENERGY INC [CVI]							
(Last) (First) (Middle) 2277 PLAZA DRIVE, SUITE 500					Relationship of Reporting Pers (Check all applicable) X Director		son(s) to Issuer		5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)			
(Street) SUGAR LAND	GAR TX 77479				Officer (give title below)		Other (specify below)		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)										
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned												
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)						unt of Securities ially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)		4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)			
No securities are beneficially owned.						0	D					
Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)												
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)			2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		d 3. Title and Amount of Secur Underlying Derivative Secur		ity (Instr. 4) Conv		rcise	5. Ownership Form:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)	
			Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	n Title	÷	Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Deriva Securi	tive	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)		

Explanation of Responses:

/s/ Susan M. Ball, Attorney-in-05/20/2011

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** 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 5 (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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LIMITED POWER OF ATTORNEY

The undersigned, being a person who will be subject to the reporting obligations of Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Act"), with respect to securities of CVR Energy, Inc. (the "Corporation"), hereby constitutes and appoints each of Edmund S. Gross, Edward Morgan and Susan M. Ball as the undersigned's true and lawful attorney-in-fact and agent solely so as to permit the undersigned to file Forms 3, 4, and 5 with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the undersigned's behalf pursuant to Section 16 of the Act, and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, or any successor laws and regulations, as a consequence of the undersigned's ownership, acquisition or disposition of equity securities of the Corporation, and to peform all acts necessary in order to file such as he or she, as applicable, shall deem appropriate. The undersigned hereby ratifies and confirms all that said attorneys-in-fact and agents shall do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

This Limited Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect unless earlier revoked by the undersigned in a writing delivered to the foregoing attorneys-in-fact.

This Limited Power of Attorney is executed as of May 14, 2011.

/s/ Robert T. Smith

Robert T. Smith