FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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OTATEMENT OF OUTANOES IN DENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP	Expires:	December 31, 2014		
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Section	16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations
may co	ntinue. See Instruction 1(b).

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *				- 1	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)						
NANCE ROBERT L			<u> </u>	ST MARY LAND & EXPLORATION CO [SM								1 (Check	Director	,		10% Ov	vner		
												$ \mathbf{x}$	Officer (give title			Other (specify			
(Last)	Last) (First) (Middle)						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/30/2003							below) below) Senior Vice President					
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(Street)				4.11	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							6. Indiv	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person						
(City)	(State) (2	Zip)										Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																		
Date			2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/	Execution Date,		Transaction Disposed Of (D) Code (Instr.		es Acquired (A) or Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		5. Amount Securities Beneficially Following I	y Owned Reported	Form	direct (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)					
							Code	v	Amount	mount (A) or (D)		Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				(mstr. 4)		
	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)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Ir	Transaction Code (Instr.		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)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction	s silly	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable		Expiration Date	Title		Amount or Number of Shares		(Instr. 4)	ivii(s)			
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	27.3	06/30/2003		A		6,740		06/30/2003	(1) 0	6/30/2013		mmon tock	6,740	\$0	6,740	0	D		

Explanation of Responses:

 $1. The Option is 25\% \ vested \ upon \ grant \ and \ vests \ in \ additional \ 25\% \ equal \ installments \ on \ September \ 30, 2003, 2004 \ and \ 2005.$

Teresa B. Rosenthal (Attorney-in-07/01/2003 fact)

** 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).

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.

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