FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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					or S	ection	30(n) of the In	vestment	Com	pany Act o	1940)							
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* SANDBULTE AREND J					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ST MARY LAND & EXPLORATION CO [SM									(Check	Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner					
(Last)	(First)	(M		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/22/2004									-	Officer (g below)	ive title	Other (s below)		specify		
STE 700					4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									- 1	Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person					
(Street) DENVER	CO	80	0202												Form file	d by More	than C	one Reportin	g Person	
(City)	(State)) (Z	ip)																	
		Ta	able I - Nor	ı-Deriva	ative	Secu	ıriti	es Acq	uired, [Disp	osed of	, or	Benefi	cially Ow	ned					
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)				2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		Exe	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 a				nd 5) Securities Beneficial Following		Form	: Direct (D) direct (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
									Code	v	Amount		(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock; \$.01 par value					/22/2004				M		4,492		A	\$9.25	27,258		D			
Common Stock; \$.01 par value				03/22/)3/22/2004				M		4,032		A	\$12.375	31,290		D			
Common Stock; \$.01 par value				03/22/	03/22/2004				S		124		D	\$33.32	31,166		D			
Common Stock; \$.01 par value				03/22/	03/22/2004				S		8,40	0	D	\$33.26	22,766(1)			D		
			Table II - [sed of, o				ed					
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	cise (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Yea	Code	Transaction Code (Instr.		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			e and 7. Title and Amou Securities Underly Derivative Securit 3 and 4)		lerlying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficia Owned Following Reported	e s ally g	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	e V	(A			Date Exercisab		Expiration Date	Title		Amount or Number of Shares		Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)				
Employee Stock Option (right-to- buy)	\$9.25	03/22/2004		М				4,492	12/31/199	08 1	2/31/2008		ommon Stock	4,492	\$9.25	0		D		
Employee Stock Option (right-to- buy)	\$12.375	03/22/2004		М				4,032	12/31/199	9 1	2/31/2009		ommon Stock	4,032	\$12.375	0		D		

Explanation of Responses:

1. The sole purpose of this footnote is to report that the reporting person also indirectly owns 800 shares of the issuer's common stock through his spouse.

Teresa B. Rosenthal (attorney-in-fact)

<u>03/24/2004</u>

** 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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