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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* NANCE ROBERT L					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ST MARY LAND & EXPLORATION CO [SM]									all applicabl			s) to Issuer 10% Ow Other (s	
(Last) (First) (Middle) NANCE PETROLEUM CORPORATION					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/15/2005									below)	below) below) Senior Vice President			
PO BOX 7168					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) BILLINGS	MT	59	9103-7168										X		•	•	ng Person ne Reporting	g Person
(City)	(State)	(Z	ip)															
		Ta	able I - Non	-Derivativ	re Se	curitie	s Acc	uired, D	ispos	sed of	f, or Be	nefic	ially Ow	ned				
Date				2. Transactio Date (Month/Day/Y	ear)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		Transaction Dispose Code (Instr.		rities Acquired (A) or ed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 an			nd 5) Securities Beneficial Following		Form:	Direct (D) irect (I) 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
								Code	/ /	Amount (A) or (D)		Price		ransaction(s) Instr. 3 and 4)			(instr. 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 (In		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)		rlying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported	lly	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable		oiration e	Title		Amount or Number of Shares		Transaction(s (Instr. 4)	J.11(2)	<u></u>	
Restricted Stock Units	(1)	03/15/2005		A		5,205		(2)		(2)	Commo Stock; \$ Par Val	5.01	5,205	\$0	15,023	3	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of SM common stock.
- $2. \ The \ restricted \ stock \ units \ vest \ in \ four \ equal \ installments \ beginning \ March \ 15,2005. \ Vested \ shares \ will be \ issued \ to \ the \ reporting \ person \ on \ March \ 15,2008, \ at \ which \ time \ all \ restrictions \ lapse.$

James C. Robertson (Attorney-In-Fact) 03/17/2005

** 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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