FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Add		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ST MARY LAND & EXPLORATION CO [ SM ]									tionship of Reporting Pe all applicable) Director Officer (give title		erson(s) to Issuer 10% Own Other (sp						
` ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' '					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/15/2005									below) below)  VP-Land & Legal			poony		
STE 700					4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     X Form filed by One Reporting Person					
(Street) DENVER	СО	CO 80202													•		ng Person ne Reportin	g Person	
(City)	(State)	(Z	ip)																
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
Date					•		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		Transaction Dispos Code (Instr.		rities Acquired (A) or ed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and			5. Amount Securities Beneficially Following F	/ Owned Reported	Form:	nership : Direct (D) lirect (I) . 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
								Code	v	Amount (A) or (D)			Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				(Instr. 4)	
			Table II - De					ired, Dis <sub>l</sub> options,						ed					
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Ir		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 derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transaction	e s lly	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable		piration te	Title		Amount or Number of Shares		(Instr. 4)	on(s)			
Restricted Stock Units	(1)	03/15/2005		A		855		(2)		(2)	Comi Stock; Par V	; \$.01	855	\$0	4,021		D		

## Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Each restricted stock unit represents the 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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