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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* WILKENING GARRY A					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ST MARY LAND & EXPLORATION CO [SM]									all applicabl Director	,		10% Ow		
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1776 LINCOLN ST				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/17/2005								X	below) VP-Admininstratn &			Other (specify below) & Controller			
STE 700				4.1	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Indiv	Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person					
(Street) DENVER	СО	80	0202												•	•	ne Reporting	g Person	
(City)	(State)	(Z	ip)																
		Ta	able I - Non	-Derivati	ve S	curitie	es Acq	uired, Di	spose	ed of	, or Be	nefic	ially Ow	ned					
Date				2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		Transaction Dispose Code (Instr.			rities Acquired (A) or ed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 ar			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Following F	Owned Reported	6. Own Form: I or India (Instr. 4	Direct (D) rect (I) 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
								Code	/ Am	Amount (A) or (D)		Price	Transaction (Instr. 3 and				(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 (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 Beneficiall Owned Following Reported Transaction	ly G	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	v	V (A)		Date Exercisable	Expira Date		or Nu		Amount or Number of Shares		(Instr. 4)				
Restricted Stock Units	(1)	03/15/2005		A		690		(2)	(2)		Commo Stock; \$. Par Val	3.01	690	\$0	3,250		D		

Explanation of Responses:

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

<u>James C. Robertson (Attorney-In-Fact)</u> 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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