FORM 4

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

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person*     CONGDON THOMAS E				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)	Last) (First) (Middle)					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/12/2005									Officer (g below)			Other (specify below)	
STE 700				4. If A	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						
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Date				te onth/Day/Year) if		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)					Securities Acquired (A) o posed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 a			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
								Code	v	Amount		(A) or (D)	Price	Transactio (Instr. 3 an				(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value 05/1					/12/2005				<b>G</b> <sup>(1)</sup>	V	13,10	0	A	\$0	88,654			D	
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)			ate,	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable an Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		te	7. Title and Amo Securities Unde Derivative Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)		derlying curity	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficia Owned Following Reported Transacti	e s lly	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Evaluation of Re					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisa		Expiration Date	Title		Amount or Number of Shares		(Instr. 4)	on(s)		

1. Gift by distribution from a trust of which the reporting person is a beneficiary.

James C. Robertson (Attorney-In-05/16/2005

Fact)

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

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).
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