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 Address of Reporting Person *  YORK DOUGLAS W					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ST MARY LAND & EXPLORATION CO [ sm ]										Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)     Director 10% Owner					
(Last) 1776 LINCOI	(First)	(M	Middle)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/18/2005									X	Officer (give title below)		Other (specify below) P & COO		-	
STE 700  (Street)  DENVER CO 80202					4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 6										6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	(State		7ip)																	
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																				
Da					2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)					ies Acquired (A) or Dispos str. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount Securities Beneficiall Following Transactio	y Owned Reported	Form	nership : Direct (D) lirect (I) . 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
						Code	v	Amount	(A) (D)		Price	(Instr. 3 an				(111541. 4)				
Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value					18/2005				M		18,108	3	A	\$16.6562	30,604			D		
Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value					05/18/2005				S		18,108(1	1)(2)	D	\$25	12,4	496		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)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		3A. Deemed Execution Date if any (Month/Day/Ye	ate, Tra	e, Transaction Code (Instr.		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 a Securiti Derivati 3 and 4)	es Unde ve Secu		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficia Owned Following Reported Transacti	e s ally	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership ect (Instr. 4)	
				Cod	de V	, (	A)	(D)	Date Exercisa	able	Expiration Date	Title		Amount or Number of Shares		(Instr. 4)	ion(s)			
Stock Option (Right-To-Buy)	\$16.6562	05/18/2005		N	M	18,108		12/31/2000 12/31/2010		12/31/2010	Comn		18,108	\$0	0		D			

## Explanation of Responses:

- 1. The sales reported in this Form 4 were affected pursuant to a Rule 10b-1 sales plan adopted by the reporting person on May 16, 2005 and the sales plan adopted by the reporting person on May 16, 2005 and the sales plan adopted by the reporting person on May 16, 2005 and the sales plan adopted by the reporting person on May 16, 2005 and the sales plan adopted by the reporting person on May 16, 2005 and the sales plan adopted by the reporting person on May 16, 2005 and the sales plan adopted by the reporting person on May 16, 2005 and the sales plan adopted by the reporting person on May 16, 2005 and the sales plan adopted by the reporting person on May 16, 2005 and the sales plan adopted by the reporting person on May 16, 2005 and the sales plan adopted by the reporting person on May 16, 2005 and the sales plan adopted by the reporting person of the sales plan adopted by the reporting person of the sales plan adopted by the reporting person of the sales plan adopted by the reporting person of the sales plan adopted by the reporting person of the sales plan adopted by the reporting person of the sales plan adopted by the reporting person of the sales plan adopted by the reporting person of the sales plan adopted by the reporting person of the sales plan adopted by the reporting person of the sales plan adopted by the reporting person of the sales plan adopted by the reporting person of the sales plan adopted by the reporting person of the sales plan adopted by the reporting person of the sales plan adopted by the reporting person of the sales plan adopted by the reporting person of the sales person of the sales plan adopted by the reporting person of the sales person of the s
- 2. This total number of shares beneficially owned reflects the number of shares after the March 21, 2005, two-for-one stock split effected by the issuer

Brenda L Schohn (Attorney-In-

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\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

05/19/2005 Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- $^{\star}$  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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