
UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)
February 12, 2008 (February 6, 2008)

St. Mary Land & Exploration Company
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

001-31539
(Commission
File Number)

41-0518430
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

1776 Lincoln Street, Suite 700, Denver, Colorado
(Address of principal executive offices)

80203
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (303) 861-8140

Not applicable
(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2.):

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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Item 5.02 **Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.**

On February 6, 2008, David W. Honeyfield, Senior Vice President - Chief Financial Officer and Secretary of St. Mary Land & Exploration Company (the "Company"), provided notice to the Company of his intent to resign from his position effective March 21, 2008. Mr. Honeyfield will be leaving the Company to take an executive management position with another company that is not in the oil and gas industry. The Company has commenced a search for a replacement for Mr. Honeyfield. A copy of the press release issued by the Company on February 12, 2008, to announce this pending management change is filed as Exhibit 99.1 to this report.

Item 9.01 **Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

- (d) Exhibits. The following exhibit is filed as part of this report:
Exhibit 99.1 Press release of St. Mary Land & Exploration Company dated February 12, 2008.
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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

ST. MARY LAND & EXPLORATION COMPANY

Date: February 12,
2008

By: /s/ DAVID W. HONEYFIELD

David W. Honeyfield
Senior Vice President – Chief Financial Officer and Secretary

For Information

Brent A. Collins

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

ST. MARY ANNOUNCES EXECUTIVE DEPARTURE

DENVER, February 12, 2008 – St. Mary Land & Exploration Company (NYSE: SM) today announces that David W. Honeyfield, Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, will resign from the Company effective March 21, 2008 to pursue a new opportunity in the mining industry. The Company has begun an external search to identify a replacement for the chief financial officer position. Mr. Honeyfield has agreed to assist in the transition through the date of his resignation.

Tony Best, President and Chief Executive Officer, commented, “On behalf of the Board and employees of St. Mary, I want to thank Dave for his contributions to St. Mary’s success over the years. His experience, wisdom, and character have contributed to making St. Mary the Company it is today. We wish him the best of luck in his new endeavor.”
