

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)  
October 17, 2008 (October 14, 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.):

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

**Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.**

In accordance with General Instruction B.2. of Form 8-K, the following information, including Exhibits 99.1 and 99.2, shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, nor shall such information and Exhibits be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

On October 14, 2008, St. Mary Land & Exploration Company (“St. Mary” or the “Company”) issued a press release announcing that it has scheduled a teleconference call to discuss third quarter earnings results on November 4, 2008, at 8:00 am (Mountain Time). The teleconference call is publicly accessible, and the press release includes instructions as to when and how to access the teleconference and the location on the Company’s web site where the teleconference information will be available. A copy of the press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this report.

On October 17, 2008, St. Mary issued a press release announcing a regular semi-annual five cent per share cash dividend to be paid on November 10, 2008, to stockholders of record as of the close of business on October 31, 2008. A copy of the press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.2 to this report.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

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| (d) Exhibits. | The following exhibits are furnished as part of this report:                 |
| Exhibit 99.1  | Press release of St. Mary Land & Exploration Company dated October 14, 2008. |
| Exhibit 99.2  | Press release of St. Mary Land & Exploration Company dated October 17, 2008. |

**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: October 17,  
2008

By: /s/ MARK T. SOLOMON

Mark T. Solomon  
Controller

Brent A. Collins  
303-861-8140

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**ST. MARY SCHEDULES THIRD QUARTER 2008 EARNINGS  
CONFERENCE CALL**

**DENVER – October 14, 2008** – St. Mary Land & Exploration Company (NYSE: SM) is scheduled to release third quarter 2008 earnings after the close of trading on the NYSE on November 3, 2008. The teleconference call to discuss third quarter results is scheduled for November 4, 2008, at 8:00 am (Mountain Time). The call participation number is 888-424-5231. A digital recording of the conference call will be available two hours after the completion of the call, 24 hours per day through November 18, 2008, at 800-642-1687, conference number 64688856. International participants can dial 706-634-6088 to take part in the conference call and can access a replay of the call at 706-645-9291, conference number 64688856. In addition, the call will be broadcast live at St. Mary’s website at [www.stmaryland.com](http://www.stmaryland.com) and the press release will be available before the call at [www.stmaryland.com](http://www.stmaryland.com) under “News – Press Releases.” An audio recording of the conference call will be available at that site through November 18, 2008.

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**ST. MARY BOARD DECLARES SEMI-ANNUAL CASH DIVIDEND**

**DENVER – October 17, 2008** – St. Mary Land & Exploration Company (NYSE: SM) today announces that its Board of Directors has declared a semi-annual cash dividend of \$0.05 per share of common stock. The dividend will be paid November 10, 2008, to stockholders of record as of the close of business October 31, 2008. St. Mary currently has approximately 62.2 million shares of common stock outstanding.

St. Mary has paid cash dividends to stockholders every year since 1940. Company management plans to continue making semi-annual dividend payments at the rate of \$0.05 per share for the foreseeable future, subject to future earnings, capital requirements, financial condition, credit facility covenants, and other factors.

**INFORMATION ABOUT FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS**

This release contains forward looking statements within the meaning of securities laws, including plans for future periods. The words “will” and “plans” and similar expressions are intended to identify forward looking statements. These statements involve known and unknown risks, which may cause St. Mary’s actual results to differ materially from results expressed or implied by the forward looking statements. These risks include such factors as the volatility and level of oil and natural gas prices, and other such matters discussed in the “Risk Factors” section of St. Mary’s 2007 Annual Report on Form 10-K/A and subsequent Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q filed with the SEC. Although St. Mary may from time to time voluntarily update its prior forward looking statements, it disclaims any commitment to do so except as required by securities laws.