FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* PURSELL A WADE					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ST MARY LAND & EXPLORATION CO [SM]									(Check	tionship of R all applicabl Director Officer (q	e)	Person	(s) to Issuer 10% Ow Other (s	
` ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' '				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/08/2008									X	below)		below)		poony	
SUITE 700					4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								- 1	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person					
(Street) DENVER (City)	CO (State		0203 (ip)													,	•	one Reporting	g Person
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
Date					h/Day/Year)		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) 4. Secur Dispose						5. Amount Securities Beneficially Following I	y Owned Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
									Code	v	Amount		(A) or (D)	Price	(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 Dat if any (Month/Day/Ye	te, Tr	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 and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Ins 3 and 4)			8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)		10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Co	ode	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisal		Expiration Date	Title		Amount or Number of Shares		(Instr. 4)	on(a)		
Restricted Stock Units	(1)	09/08/2008			A		15,496		(2)		(2)	Com: Sto		15,496	\$0	15,49	6	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of the issuer's common stock.
- 2. The restricted stock units vest in two equal annual installments beginning on December 15, 2009. The vested shares will be issued to the reporting person on the vesting dates, at which time all restrictions on the vested shares will lapse.

Remarks:

Karin M. Writer (Attorney-In-Fact)

09/09/2008

** 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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