SEC Form 4

# FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

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			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>ST MARY LAND &amp; EXPLORATION CO</u> [ SM ]	(Check	tionship of Reporting Pers all applicable) Director Officer (give title	on(s) to Issuer 10% Owner Other (specify
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1776 LINCOLN STREET		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/10/2009	X	below) Sr. VP & Region	below)
SUITE 700 (Street)			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv X	idual or Joint/Group Filing Form filed by One Rep Form filed by More that	, ,
DENVER	СО	80203	_		,	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)				

## Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transaction Code (Instr.		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Securities Beneficially Owned	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)
Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value	09/10/2009		М		1,533	Α	(1)	12,799	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	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (In	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 (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		
Restricted Stock Units	(1)	09/10/2009		М			1,533	(2)	(2)	Common Stock	1,533	\$0	0	D	

### Explanation of Responses:

1. Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of stock.

2. This restricted stock unit grant vests in three equal annual installments beginning on September 10, 2007. Upon the vesting of the restricted stock units, common stock 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-09/11/2009 Fact)

\*\* 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).

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