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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Zubieta Dennis A. (Last) (First) (Middle) 1776 LINCOLN STREET					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ST MARY LAND & EXPLORATION CO [SM] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/15/2009 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									(Check	tionship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer all applicable) Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below) VP-Engineering & Evaluation idual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Lin Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Pers				able Line)
	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																		
Date				Date			2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)				ities Acquired (A) or d Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and (A) or (D)			5. Amount Securities Beneficially Following F Transaction (Instr. 3 and	y Owned cr In (Inst		nership : Direct (D) lirect (I) 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value 12/1					15/2009		M		832		Α	(1)	11,862		D				
Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value 12/1				12/15	2/15/2009				F		259		D	\$35.36	11,603		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/Ye	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 Amour Securities Underly Derivative Securit 3 and 4)		rlying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficia Owned Following Reported Transacti (Instr. 4)	e s illy	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Co	ode	v	(A)		Date Exercisab		xpiration ate	Title		or Number of Shares		(111507.4)			
Restricted Stock Units	(1)	12/15/2009		1	М			832	12/15/200	9 1	2/15/2009	Comn Stoc		832	\$0	832		D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of stock. This restricted stock unit grant vests in three equal annual installments beginning on December 15, 2008. 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-

12/17/2009

<u>Fact)</u>
** 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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