Foran Joseph Wm Form 4 August 20, 2012

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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10% Owner

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Issuer

X Director

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SECURITIES Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Matador Resources Co [MTDR]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

Symbol

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

Foran Joseph Wm

(Last)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

(First)

(Middle)

may continue.

See Instruction

5400 LBJ FREEWAY, SUITE 1500			(Month/Day/Year) 08/17/2012					_X_ Director10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chairman, CEO and President			
			, C					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
DALLAS, 7							Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City)	(State) (Zip)	Tabl	e I - Non-E	Derivative S	Securi	ities Acqu	iired, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deem Execution any (Month/Da	Date, if	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securition(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4)	sposed	of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	08/17/2012			P	10,000	A	\$ 10.16 (1)	1,064,933 (2)	I	See footnote (3)	
Common Stock								200,156 <u>(4)</u> (5) (6)	D		
Common Stock								10,000 (2)	I	See footnote (7)	
Common Stock								4,000 (2)	I	See footnote (8)	

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Common Stock	1,208,640 (2)	I	See footnote
Common Stock	1,208,640 (2)	I	See footnote (10)
Common Stock	135,500 (2)	I	See footnote (11)
Common Stock	50,000 (2)	I	See footnote (12)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Titl	le and	8. Price of	9
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transacti	orNumber	Expiration Da	ate	Amou	int of	Derivative	J
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Under	lying	Security	,
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	e		Secur	ities	(Instr. 5)]
	Derivative				Securities			(Instr.	3 and 4)		(
	Security				Acquired]
					(A) or						J
					Disposed						-
					of (D)						(
					(Instr. 3,						
					4, and 5)						
									Amount		
									or		
						Date	Expiration	Title	Number		
						Exercisable	Date		of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	i ciutiviisii ps							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
Foran Joseph Wm			Chairman,					
5400 LBJ FREEWAY, SUITE 1500	X		CEO and					
DALLAS, TX 75240			President					

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/s/ Joseph Wm. Foran

08/20/2012

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
- The price reported is a weighted average price. These shares were purchased in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$9.67 to \$10.31 per share, inclusive. The reporting person shall provide to the Securities and Exchange Commission, the Issuer, or any security holder of the Issuer, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares purchased at each separate price
- The reporting person states that neither the filing of this statement nor anything herein shall be deemed an admission that such person is, for purposes of Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise, the beneficial owner of these shares. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares, except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.
- (3) Represents shares held of record by Sage Resources, Ltd., which is a limited partnership owned by the reporting person's family, including the reporting person.
- (4) Includes 20,052 shares of restricted stock granted to the reporting person on April 16, 2012. Such shares of restricted stock will vest in two equal biennial installments beginning on the second anniversary of the date of grant, April 16, 2014.
- Includes 20,052 shares of restricted stock granted to the reporting person on April 16, 2012. Such shares of restricted stock will vest following April 15, 2015, in an amount to be determined based upon the achievement of certain performance conditions as specified in the reporting person's award agreement.
- Includes 20,052 restricted stock units granted to the reporting person on April 16, 2012. Such restricted stock units will vest, and an applicable number of shares of common stock will be deliverable to the reporting person, following April 15, 2015, in an amount to be determined based upon the achievement of certain performance conditions as specified in the reporting person's award agreement.
- Represents shares held of record by one of the reporting person's college age children. The amount of shares of common stock

 (7) previously reported has been adjusted because the reporting person no longer has a reportable beneficial interest in 10,000 shares of common stock held of record by one of his children.
- (8) Represents shares held of record by the reporting person's spouse through her Individual Retirement Account.
- (9) Represents shares held of record by the JWF 2011-1 GRAT, for which the reporting person is the trustee and over which the reporting person has sole voting and investment power.
- (10) Represents shares held of record by the NNF 2011-1 GRAT, for which the reporting person is the trustee and over which the reporting person has sole voting and investment power.
- (11) Represents shares held of record by The Don Foran Family Trust 2008, for which the reporting person is the co-trustee and over which the reporting person has shared voting and investment power with other members of his family.
- (12) Represents shares held of record by The Foran Family Special Needs Trust for which the reporting person is the co-trustee and over which the reporting person has shared voting and investment power with other members of his family.

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