FORM 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

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Name and Address of Reporting Person* Foran Joseph Wm					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Matador Resources Co [MTDR]							elationship of Report eck all applicable) X Director Officer (give title	10%	o Owner		
(Last) (First) (Middle) 5400 LBJ FREEWAY SUITE 1500				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/29/2017								Chairman and CEO				
(Street) DALLAS TX 75240 (City) (State) (Zip)				4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
		Table I - No	on-Deriva	tive	Securities Acc	quirec	l, Dis	sposed of	, or Be	nefi	ciall	y Owned				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)			2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) o Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 a 5)			r and	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
						Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	е	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(
Common Stock			03/29/20)17		M		87,500	A	\$8	.21	366,429(1)(2)(3)	D			
Common Stock												873,764 ⁽⁴⁾	I	See footnote ⁽⁵⁾		
Common Stock												1,084,933(4)	I	See footnote ⁽⁶⁾		
Common Stock												4,000 ⁽⁴⁾	I	See footnote ⁽⁷⁾		
Common Stock												165,050 ⁽⁴⁾	I	See footnote ⁽⁸⁾		
Common Stock												43,750(4)	I	See footnote ⁽⁹⁾		
Common Stock												51,807(4)	I	See footnote ⁽¹⁰⁾		
Common Stock												51,807(4)	I	See footnote ⁽¹¹⁾		
Common Stock												261,391 ⁽⁴⁾	I	See footnote ⁽¹²⁾		
Common Stock												261,391 ⁽⁴⁾	I	See footnote ⁽¹³⁾		
Common Stock												169,728 ⁽⁴⁾	I	See footnote ⁽¹⁴⁾		
Common Stock												169,728 ⁽⁴⁾	I	See footnote ⁽¹⁵⁾		
Common Stock												325,769 ⁽⁴⁾	I	See footnote ⁽¹⁶⁾		
Common Stock												325,769 ⁽⁴⁾	I	See footnote ⁽¹⁷⁾		
Common Stock												119,500 ⁽⁴⁾	I	See footnote ⁽¹⁸⁾		
Common Stock												50,000(4)	I	See footnote ⁽¹⁹⁾		
Common Stock												270(4)	I	See footnote ⁽²⁰⁾		

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) Price of Derivative Security 1. Title of Derivative Conversion		3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) 3. Transaction Date	A Deemed Execution Date, if any (e.g., (Month/Day/Year)	Vative Secu Transaction Pulis (Incall S 8)		INTERPLACE OF THE PROPERTY OF		原理 野野時間を行めた。 Expiration Date 、(例形的語句を発向NVertil 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date		or Benefic Yatiy of Securities (ค.ผ.ค.ค.ค.หายยร) Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) 7. Title and Amount of Securities		Original of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) 8. Price of Derivative	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) Ansumber of derivative	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (8) Code	Instr. V	Securities Acquired (A) or		(Month/Day/\) Date Exercisable	ear) Expiration Date	Underlying Amount Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and Member of Title Shares		Security (Instr. 5)	Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	3, 4	and 5)	Date Exercisable	Expiration	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		(Instr. 4)		
Employee Stock Option	\$8.21	03/29/2017		М		()	87,500	(21)	03/07/2018	Common Stock	87,500	\$0	87,500	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Includes 55,943 shares of restricted stock granted to the reporting person on February 15, 2017 that vest in equal annual installments on the first, second and third anniversaries of the date of the grant.
- 2. Includes 94,230 shares of restricted stock granted to the reporting person on February 19, 2016 that vest on the third anniversary of the date of grant.
- 3. Includes 8,547 shares of restricted stock granted to the reporting person on March 7, 2014 that vest on the fourth anniversary of the date of grant.
- 4. 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.
- 5. Represents shares held of record collectively by the LRF 2011 Non-GST Trust, WJF 2011 Non-GST Trust, JNF 2011 Non-GST Trust, SIF 2011 Non-GST Trust and MCF 2011 Non-GST Trust (collectively, the "Non-GST Trusts"). The reporting person and his spouse, as settlors of each of the Non-GST Trusts, retain the power of substitution with respect to the property of the Non-GST Trusts.
- 6. 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.
- 7. Represents shares held of record by the reporting person's spouse through her Individual Retirement Account.
- 8. Represents shares held of record by the Foran 2012 Savings Trust for which the reporting person's spouse is a trustee.
- 9. Represents shares held of record by the Foran 2012 Security Trust for which the reporting person is the trustee.
- 10. Represents shares held of record by the JWF 2015-2 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 NNF 2015-2 GRAT, for which the reporting person is the trustee and over which the reporting person has sole voting and investment power.
- 12. Represents shares held of record by the JWF 2016-1 GRAT, for which the reporting person is the trustee and over which the reporting person has sole voting and investment power.
- 13. Represents shares held of record by the NNF 2016-1 GRAT, for which the reporting person is the trustee and over which the reporting person has sole voting and investment power.
- 14. Represents shares held of record by the JWF 2016-2 GRAT, for which the reporting person is the trustee and over which the reporting person has sole voting and investment power.
- 15. Represents shares held of record by the NNF 2016-2 GRAT, for which the reporting person is the trustee and over which the reporting person has sole voting and investment power.
- 16. Represents shares held of record by the JWF 2017-1 GRAT, for which the reporting person is the trustee and over which the reporting person has sole voting and investment power.
- 17. Represents shares held of record by the NNF 2017-1 GRAT, for which the reporting person is the trustee and over which the reporting person has sole voting and investment power.
- 18. 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.
- 19. 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.
- 20. Represents shares held of record by the Individual Retirement Account of the reporting person's adult child, who gave the reporting person investment power over such shares through a revocable power of attorney.
- $21. \ The \ employee \ stock \ options \ vested \ in \ two \ equal \ biennial \ installments \ and \ were \ fully \ vested \ as \ of \ March \ 8, \ 2017.$

Remarks:

/s/ Joseph Wm. Foran, by Kyle A. Ellis as attorney-in-fact 03/31/2017

** 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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