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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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| Name and Address of Reporting Person* Foran Joseph Wm | | | | | | Matador Resources Co [MTDR] | | | | | | | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner | | | | |
|---|---|--|--|---------------|--------------|--|---|-------------------------|---|--------|--------------------|--|-------------------------------------|---|---|---|--|---------------------------------------|--|
| (Last) 5400 LB | ast) (First) (Middle) 400 LBJ FREEWAY, SUITE 1500 | | | | | | of Ear 2012 | liest Trans | action (N | /lonth | /Day/Year) | | A below) | Officer (give title below) Chairman, CEO and President | | | | | |
| (Street) DALLAS TX 75240 | | | | | | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting | | | | | | | | | | | n | | |
| (City) | (S | itate) | (Zip) | | | | | | | | | | | Person | | One Repor | rung | | |
| | | Та | ble I - No | n-De | rivativ | ve S | ecur | ities Ac | quired | , Di | sposed o | of, or Be | neficial | y Owned | | | | | |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Ye | | Execution Dat | | ion Date, | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | | 4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 | | r. 3, 4 and 5 | 5. Amount Securities Beneficial Owned For Reported | i Iy | 6. Owne Form: D (D) or In (I) (Instr | Direct Indirect tr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | Code | v | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | Transactio (Instr. 3 ar | on(s) nd 4) | (1130.4) | | , | |
| Common | Stock | | | 02/0 |)2/201 | 2 | | | P | | 1,000 | A | \$11.5 | 1,0 | 00 | | D | | |
| Common | Stock | | | 02/0 |)2/201 | 2 | | | G | | 1,000 | D | \$0 | 0 |) | | D | | |
| Common | Stock ⁽¹⁾ | | | 02/0 |)2/201 | 2 | | | G | | 1,000 | A | \$0 | 20,0 | 000 | | | See Footnote ⁽²⁾ | |
| Common | Stock ⁽¹⁾ | | | 02/0 |)2/201 | 2 | | | P | | 4,000 | A | \$11.8 | 5 4,0 | 4,000 | | | See cootnote ⁽³⁾ | |
| Common | Stock | | | 02/0 | 07/201 | 2 | | | P | | 100,00 | 0 A | \$12 | 100, | 000 | | D | | |
| Common | Stock ⁽¹⁾ | | | 02/0 |)7/201 | 2 | | | P | | 37,300 |) A | \$12 | 793, | 793,833 | | | See cootnote ⁽⁴⁾ | |
| Common | Common Stock ⁽¹⁾ | | | 02/07/2012 | | 2 | | | С | | 250,00 | 0 A | (5) | 1,043,833 | | | | See Footnote ⁽⁴⁾ | |
| Common | Common Stock ⁽¹⁾ | | | 02/07/2012 | | 2 | | | С | | 315,35 | 0 A | (5) | 1,208 | 1,208,640 | | 1 1 | See Cootnote ⁽⁶⁾ | |
| Common Stock ⁽¹⁾ | | | | 02/07/2012 | | 2 | | | С | | 315,35 | 0 A | (5) | 1,208,640 | | | | See Cootnote ⁽⁷⁾ | |
| Common Stock ⁽¹⁾ | | | | 02/08/2012 | | 2 | | | P | | 1,100 | A | \$12 | 1,044,933 | | | | See Cootnote ⁽⁴⁾ | |
| Common | ommon Stock ⁽¹⁾ | | | | | | | | | | | | | 135,500 | | | | See Cootnote ⁽⁸⁾ | |
| Common Stock ⁽¹⁾ | | | | | | | | | | | | 50,000 | | | | See Footnote ⁽⁹⁾ | | | |
| | | | Table II | | | | | | | | osed of converti | | | Owned | | | | | |
| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Day | d Date, | 4. Transa | ransaction ode (Instr. | | 5. Number of Derivative | | | isable and te | | d Amount ies g Security | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number derivative Securities Beneficiall Owned Following Reported | ve es ally ng d | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
| | | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisa | able | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | Transaci (Instr. 4) | | | | |
| Class B Common Stock | (5) | 02/07/2012 | | | С | | | 250,000 | (5) | | (5) | Common Stock | 250,000 | \$0 | 0 | | I | See footnote ⁽⁴⁾ | |
| Class B Common Stock | (5) | 02/07/2012 | | | С | | | 315,350 | (5) | | (5) | Common Stock | 315,350 | \$0 | 0 | | I | See footnote ⁽⁶⁾ | |
| Class B Common Stock | (5) | 02/07/2012 | | | С | | | 315,350 | (5) | | (5) | Common Stock | 315,350 | \$0 | 0 | | I | See footnote ⁽⁷⁾ | |

Explanation of Responses:

^{1.} 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.

- 2. Represents shares held of record by two of the reporting person's college age children.
- $3. \ Represents \ shares \ held \ of \ record \ by \ the \ reporting \ person's \ spouse \ through \ her \ Individual \ Retirement \ Account.$
- 4. 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.
- 5. The Class B common stock automatically converted into shares of common stock on a one-for-one basis upon the consummation of the Issuer's initial public offering. The shares of Class B common stock had no expiration date.
- 6. 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.
- 7. 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.
- 8. 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.
- 9. 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.

/s/ Joseph Wm. Foran 02/09/2012
** 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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