FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person* Adams Craig N						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Matador Resources Co [MTDR]									f Reporting Person(s) to Issue able) 10% Owne (give title Other (spe			ner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 5400 LBJ FREEWAY SUITE 1500					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/28/2012									VP and General Counsel					
(Street) DALLAS TX 75240				4.	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 Person					
(City)	(5	•	(Zip) •	rivativ	re Se	curities	s Aco	uired. [Dist	osed o	of. or Be	nefi	 iciall	v Owned					
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transa Date (Month/D					n	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. 4 Transaction D Code (Instr. 5		4. Securi	4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3,			5. Amour Securitie Beneficia Owned F	nt of s ally collowing	6. Owner Form: Di (D) or Ind (I) (Instr.	irect c direct E 4) C	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
								Code	v	Amount	(A) (D)	or F	Price	Reported Transact (Instr. 3 a	ion(s)			(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock 09/28/					/2012		A		5,000 A			\$ <mark>0</mark>	5,0	5,000(1)					
		-	Fable II - Deri (e.g					ired, Di options						Owned					
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/Yea	4. Transaction Code (Instr 8)		n of		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 derivative Securities Beneficiall Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	y Ov Fo Dii or (I)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	v	(A) (D)		Date Exercisable			or Nur of		ount mber ares						
Employee Stock Option	\$10.39	09/28/2012		A		20,000		(2)	0	9/27/2017	Common Stock	20	,000	\$0	20,000		D		

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Represents shares of restricted stock granted to the reporting person on September 28, 2012. Such shares of restricted stock will vest in two equal biennial installments beginning on the second anniversary of the date of grant, September 28, 2014.
- 2. The employee stock options vest in two equal biennial installments beginning on the second anniversary of the date of grant, September 28, 2014.

/s/ Craig N. Adams

10/02/2012

** 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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