FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| | d Address of eorge M | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Matador Resources Co [MTDR] | | | | | | | | 5. Relationship of Report (Check all applicable) X Director | | | 10% Ow | | Owner | | | | | |
|---|-------------------------|--|----------|---------------------------------|---|---|--|----------------|---|---|-------|---|--|---|---|---|--|---|--|--|
| (Last) (First) (Middle) 5400 LBJ FREEWAY | | | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/03/2016 | | | | | | | | | Offic belov | er (give title w) | 9 | Other below | (specify ') | | |
| SUITE 1500 (Street) | | | | | | 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 | | | | | | |
| DALLAS TX 75240 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | | |
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| Table I - Non-Deriva 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transactic Date (Month/Day/ | | | | tion 2A. Deemed Execution Date, | | 3. 4. Securities Transaction Disposed O Code (Instr. 5) | | | es Acquired (A) or Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and | | | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following | | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership | | | | |
| | | | | | | | Code | v | Amount | (A) o (D) | Price | ; | Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | | (Instr. 4) | | | |
| Common Stock 08/03/2 | | | | | 016 | | | A | | 1,747(1) | A | \$(| 0 | 8,517 | | D | | | | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 4,800, | 000(2)(3) | I | | Represents shares held by HEYCO Energy Group, Inc. ⁽⁴⁾ | | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | | | | | | 2,500 ⁽²⁾ | | I | | Represents shares held by Spiral, Inc. | | | | |
| | | Та | ble II - | | | | | | | osed of, convertib | | | | Owned | | | | | | |
| 1. Title of Derivative Conversion Date Security Or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any | | | med 4. | | 5. Number ction of | | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4) | | 8. Prid Deriva Secur (Instr. | Price of erivative ecurity estr. 5) | 9. Number derivative Securities Securities Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4) | Owr Forr Dire or Ir (I) (II | ership n: ct (D) direct nstr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | | | |
| Combon etion | | | | | Code | v | (A) (D) | Date Exerci | sable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | | | | | | | |

- 1. Represents restricted stock units granted to the reporting person on August 3, 2016. Such restricted stock units will vest, and an equal number of shares of common stock will be deliverable to the reporting person, in equal annual installments on the first, second and third anniversaries of the date of grant.
- 2. 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 acquired as consideration in the merger (the "Merger") of Harvey E. Yates Company, a wholly-owned subsidiary of HEYCO Energy Group, Inc. ("HEYCO"), with and into a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Issuer. Includes 166,667 shares of common stock which are being held in an escrow account pursuant to the Merger. As Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of HEYCO, the reporting person has ultimate voting and dispositive power with respect to all shares held by HEYCO.
- 4. HEYCO is owned 51.167461% by Explorers Petroleum Corporation and 45.353507% by Spiral, Inc. The reporting person owns 51.002744% of Explorers Petroleum Corporation, and the reporting person's family owns 25% of Spiral, Inc. through a series of trusts of which the reporting person is the sole trustee.
- 5. The reporting person's family owns 25% of Spiral, Inc., an entity owned through a series of trusts of which the reporting person is the sole trustee.

Remarks:

/s/ George M. Yates, by Kyle A. Ellis as attorney-in-fact

08/05/2016

** 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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