FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>LANEY DAVID M.</u> | | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Matador Resources Co [MTDR] | | | | | | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issue (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner | | | | | | |
| | (Fii | , , | Middle) | | | oate of 13/20 | | st Tran | nsaction (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | Office below | ficer (give title clow) | | Othe belo | er (specify w) |
| SUITE 1500 | | | | 4. If | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) | | | | | | |
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| (City) | (St | ate) (| Zip) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | Tabl | e I - N | lon-Deriv | /ative | Sec | uritie | s Ac | quire | ed, Di | isposed o | f, or E | Benefic | cially | / Owne | ed | | | |
| 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) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 ar 5) | | | Beneficially Owned Following | | | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership | | | |
| | | | | | | | | Code | v | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | 1 | | saction(s) r. 3 and 4) | | | (Instr. 4) | |
| Common | Stock | | | 12/13/2 | 016 | | | | S | | 10,000(1) | D | \$26. | 45 | 5 417,053 D | | | | |
| Common Stock | | | 12/13/2016 | | | | | P | | 10,000(1) | A | \$26. | 45 | 76,0 | 000(2) | | I | Represents shares held of record by Laney Investments Ltd. | |
| | | Та | ble II | | | | | | | | osed of, convertib | | | | wned | | | | |
| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | Date Ex (Month/Day/Year) if | if any | | 4. Transa | ransaction | | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | | cisable and late | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4) | | 8. F Der Sec (Ins | Price of erivative ecurity nstr. 5) | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) | | 10. Ownershi Form: Direct (D) or Indirec (I) (Instr. 4 | Beneficial Ownership t (Instr. 4) |
| | | | | | Code | v | (A) (D) | | Date Exerc | cisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | | | | | |

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Represents a privately negotiated transaction between the reporting person and a family limited partnership controlled by the reporting person.
- 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.

Remarks:

/s/ David M. Laney, by Kyle A. Ellis as attorney-in-fact 12/15/2016

** 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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