

Matador Resources Co
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Hairford Matthew V

(Last) (First) (Middle)

5400 LBJ FREEWAY, SUITE 1500

(Street)

DALLAS, TX 75240

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 Matador Resources Co [MTDR]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 02/19/2016

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially 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) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	02/19/2016		A	V Amount 31,992 (1)	(A) or (D) Price \$ 0	224,028 (2) (3) (4) (5)	D
Common Stock					5,000	I	Represents shares held of record by the reporting person's Individual Retirement Account.

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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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)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option	\$ 15	02/19/2016		A	79,942	(6) 02/18/2021	Common Stock	79,942	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Hairford Matthew V 5400 LBJ FREEWAY SUITE 1500 DALLAS, TX 75240			President	

Signatures

/s/ Matthew V. Hairford, by Kyle A. Ellis as attorney-in-fact 02/23/2016

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
- (1) Represents shares of restricted stock granted to the reporting person on February 19, 2016. Such shares of restricted stock will vest on the third anniversary of the date of grant, February 19, 2019.
- (2) Includes 5,769 shares of restricted stock granted to the reporting person on March 7, 2014. Such shares of restricted stock will vest in two equal biennial installments beginning on the second anniversary of the date of grant, March 7, 2016.
- (3) Includes 1,269 shares of restricted stock granted to the reporting person on February 11, 2014 that vest on the fourth anniversary of the date of grant, February 11, 2018.
- (4) Includes 25,000 shares of restricted stock granted to the reporting person on March 8, 2013. Such shares of restricted stock will vest on the fourth anniversary of the date of grant, March 8, 2017.

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- (5) Includes 4,063 shares of restricted stock granted to the reporting person on April 16, 2012 that vest on the fourth anniversary of the date of grant, April 16, 2016.
- (6) The employee stock options vest on the third anniversary of the date of grant, February 19, 2019.

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