

ST MARY LAND & EXPLORATION CO

Form 4

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1(b).

**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 *
Zubieta Dennis A.2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading
Symbol
ST MARY LAND &
EXPLORATION CO [SM]5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

1776 LINCOLN STREET, SUITE
700

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
12/31/2008

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
X Officer (give title ____ Other (specify
below) below)
VP-Engineering & Evaluation

4. If Amendment, Date 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

DENVER, CO 80203

(City) (State) (Zip)

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 Ownership Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value	12/31/2008		J ⁽¹⁾	V 155 A \$ 17.2635	8,849	D	
Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value	02/28/2009		M	325 A <u>(2)</u>	9,174	D	
Common Stock; \$.01 Par	02/28/2009		M	129 A <u>(3)</u>	9,303	D	

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Value

Common

Stock;

\$.01 Par

Value

02/28/2009

M

918

A

(4)

10,221

D

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)		8. D S (I	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Units	(2)	02/28/2009		M		325		02/28/2009	02/28/2009	Common Stock	325
Restricted Stock Units	(3)	02/28/2009		M		129		02/28/2009	02/28/2009	Common Stock	129
Restricted Stock Units	(4)	02/28/2009		M		918		02/28/2009	02/28/2009	Common Stock	918

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
Zubieta Dennis A. 1776 LINCOLN STREET SUITE 700 DENVER, CO 80203	VP-Engineering & Evaluation

Signatures

Karin M. Writer
(Attorney-In-Fact)

03/03/2009

__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) The reporting person purchased 155 shares of the issuer's common stock on December 31, 2008, through the issuer's Employee Stock Purchase Plan.

Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of stock. The restricted stock units were granted on February 28, 2008, are associated with fiscal year 2007, and vest in four equal installments beginning on the grant date. On the vesting dates, shares are issued to the reporting person, at which time all restrictions on the vested shares will lapse.
- (3) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of stock. The restricted stock units were granted on February 28, 2007, are associated with fiscal year 2006, and vest in four equal installments beginning on the grant date. On the vesting dates, shares are issued to the reporting person, at which time all restrictions on the vested shares will lapse.
- (4) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of stock. The restricted stock units were granted on February 28, 2006, are associated with fiscal year 2005, and vest in four equal installments beginning on the grant date. On the vesting dates, shares are issued to the reporting person, at which time all restrictions on the vested shares will lapse.

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