

Adams Craig N
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Adams Craig N

(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)
03/08/2013

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)

VP and General Counsel

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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	03/08/2013		A	(A) or (D) A	15,000 (1) \$ 0 30,000 (2) (3)	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)

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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)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option	\$ 8.21	03/08/2013		A	40,000	(4)	03/07/2018	Common Stock	40,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
Adams Craig N 5400 LBJ FREEWAY SUITE 1500 DALLAS, TX 75240	VP and General Counsel

Signatures

/s/ Craig N. Adams 03/12/2013

**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 March 8, 2013. Such shares of restricted stock will vest following the fourth anniversary of the date of grant, March 8, 2017.
Includes 5,000 shares of restricted stock granted to the reporting person on November 8, 2012. Such shares of restricted stock vest as follows: (i) one-sixth of the shares vested immediately; (ii) one-sixth of the shares vest on the first anniversary of the date of grant, November 8, 2013; (iii) one-third of the shares vest on the second anniversary of the date of grant, November 8, 2014; and (iv) one-third of the shares vest on the third anniversary of the date of grant, November 8, 2015.
- (3) Includes 5,000 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.
- (4) The employee stock options vest in two equal biennial installments beginning on the second anniversary of the date of grant, March 8, 2015.

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