

ST MARY LAND & EXPLORATION CO
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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 *
WILLSON KEVIN E

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O ST MARY LAND & EXPLORATION, 7060 S. YALE #800

(Street)

TULSA, OK 74136

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
ST MARY LAND & EXPLORATION CO [SM]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 08/24/2005

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)
 Sr. VP and Regional Manager

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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)
			Code	V	Amount or Price		
Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value	08/24/2005		M		11,804 A \$ 12.03	14,874	D
Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value	08/24/2005		M		5,600 A \$ 10.855	20,474	D
Common Stock;	08/24/2005		S		17,404 D \$ 32.5	3,070	D

\$.01 Par Value

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
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 12.03	08/24/2005		M	11,804	06/30/2002 06/30/2012	Common Stock; \$0.01 Par Value	11,804
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 10.855	08/24/2005		M	5,600	03/31/2002 03/31/2012	Common Stock; \$0.01 Par Value	5,600

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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7060 S. YALE #800
TULSA, OK 74136

Sr. VP and Regional Manager

Signatures

James C. Robertson
(Attorney-In-Fact)

08/25/2005

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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