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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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(Instr. 4)

Ownership

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person [*] Lancaster David E | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>Matador Resources Co</u> [MTDR] | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner | | | |
|---|------------------|----------------|--|---|--|--|--|
| (Last) 5400 LBJ FR SUITE 1500 | (First) EEWAY | (Middle) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/01/2017 | X Officer (give title Other (specify below) EVP and CFO | | | |
| (Street) DALLAS TX (City) (State) | | 75240 (Zip) | 4. If Amendment, Date of 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 | | | |

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | (Month/Day/Year) | Date | Date | Date | Date (Month/Day/Year) | Date Execution Date, (Month/Day/Year) if any | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | | | | Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and | | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership |
|---------------------------------|------------------|------|------|------|------------------------------|---|---|---------------------------|---|--|----------------------------------|--|---|---|---|
| | | | Code | v | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | = and 4) | | (Instr. 4) | | | | | |
| Common Stock | 12/01/2017 | | М | | 62,500 | A | \$8.21 | 359,103(1)(2)(3)(4)(5)(6) | D | | | | | | |
| Common Stock | 12/01/2017 | | F | | 36,441 ⁽⁷⁾ | D | \$29.14 | 322,662(1)(2)(3)(4)(5)(6) | D | | | | | | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | | 75,500 | I | Represents shares held of record by the reporting person's Individual Retirement Account. | | | | | |

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of 3. Transaction 3A. Deemed 5. Number 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and Amount 8. Price of 9. Number of 10. Derivative Security Derivative Conversion Execution Date Transaction Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) Securitie rivativ Ownership (Month/Day/Year) Derivative Underlying or Exercise Code (Instr. Securities if any Security Form: (Instr. 3) Price of Derivative (Month/Day/Year) Direct (D) or Indirect 8) Securities Derivative Security (Instr. 5) Beneficially Acquired (A) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Owned Following Security (I) (Instr. 4) Reported Transaction(s) Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 4) Amount Number

Date Expiration of (D) Exercisable Date Title Shares Code v (A) Employee Commo 62,500 12/01/2017 (8) 03/07/2018 62,500 Stock \$8.21 M 62,500 \$<mark>0</mark> D Stock Option

Explanation of Responses:

1. Includes 31,786 shares of restricted stock granted to the reporting person on February 15, 2017 that vest in equal annual installments on the first, second and third anniversaries of the date of grant.

2. Includes 24,866 shares of restricted stock granted to the reporting person on February 19, 2016 that vest on the third anniversary of the date of grant.

3. Includes 1,804 shares of restricted stock granted to the reporting person on April 30, 2015 that vest on the third anniversary of the date of grant.

4. Includes 4,375 shares of restricted stock granted to the reporting person on January 21, 2015 that vest on the third anniversary of the date of grant.

5. Includes 5,342 shares of restricted stock granted to the reporting person on March 7, 2014 that vest on the fourth anniversary of the date of grant.

6. Includes 1,903 shares of restricted stock granted to the reporting person on February 11, 2014 that vest on the fourth anniversary of the date of grant.

7. Represents shares withheld by the Issuer in connection with the reporting person's net share settlement to satisfy the exercise price and the tax liability upon the exercise of 62,500 employee stock options that were granted to the reporting person on March 8, 2013. No shares were sold by the reporting person to satisfy the exercise price or the tax liability.

8. The employee stock options vested in two equal biennial installments and were fully vested as of March 8, 2017.

Remarks:

/s/ David E. Lancaster, by Kyle 12/05/2017

A. Ellis as attorney-in-fact

** 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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