Hairford Matthew V Form 4 December 13, 2012

## FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Hairford Matthew V Issuer Symbol Matador Resources Co [MTDR] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director X\_ Officer (give title 5400 LBJ FREEWAY, SUITE 1500

(Month/Day/Year)

12/12/2012

Director

X\_Officer (give title Other (specify below)

EVP - Operations

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

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Person

DALLAS, TX 75240

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) any Code (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price \$ Common  $160,675 \stackrel{(2)}{=} \stackrel{(3)}{=}$ P D 12/12/2012 8.37 1.500 Α (4) Stock (1) Common See I 3,000 Stock footnote (5)

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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## **Reporting Owners**

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address 10% Owner Officer Other Director

Hairford Matthew V EVP-5400 LBJ FREEWAY, SUITE 1500 **Operations** DALLAS, TX 75240

### **Signatures**

/s/ Matthew V. Hairford, by Kyle A. Ellis as 12/13/2012 attorney-in-fact

> \*\*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).
- The price reported is a weighted average price. These shares were purchased in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$8.37 to (1) \$8.38 per share, inclusive. The reporting person shall provide to the Securities and Exchange Commission, the Issuer, or any security holder of the Issuer, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares purchased at each separate price.
- Includes 8,125 shares of restricted stock granted to the reporting person on April 16, 2012. Such shares of restricted stock will vest in two equal biennial installments beginning on the second anniversary of the date of grant, April 16, 2014.
- Includes 8,125 shares of restricted stock granted to the reporting person on April 16, 2012. Such shares of restricted stock will vest (3) following the third anniversary of the date of grant, April 16, 2015, in an amount to be determined based upon the achievement of certain performance conditions as specified in the reporting person's award agreement.
- Includes 8,125 restricted stock units granted to the reporting person on April 16, 2012. Such restricted stock units will vest, and an applicable number of shares of common stock will be deliverable to the reporting person, following the third anniversary of the date of grant, April 16, 2015, in an amount to be determined based upon the achievement of certain performance conditions as specified in the reporting person's award agreement.
- (5) Represents shares held of record by the reporting person's Individual Retirement Account.

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