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# FORM 4

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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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

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

Yates George M			Symbol						Issuer			
			Matado	r Resou	ırce	es Co [M	ITDF	<b>?</b> ]	(Cl	neck all applical	ble)	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction					`	11	Ź		
5400 LBJ FREEWAY, SUITE 1500			(Month/Day/Year) 04/11/2017						X Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)			
	(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original						6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check				
	Filed(Mon	Filed(Month/Day/Year)						Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person				
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(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabl	e I - Noi	n-D	erivative :	Secur	ities A	equired, Disposed	of, or Benefic	ially Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Da (Month/Day/Year	r) Execution	med on Date, if Day/Year)	Code (Instr.	8)	4. SecurinAcquired Disposed (Instr. 3,	(A) o of (D	)	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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	04/11/2017			A		1,399 (1)	A	\$0	12,635	D		
Common Stock						_			4,800,000 (2) (3)	I	Represents shares held by HEYCO Energy Group, Inc.	
Common Stock									2,500 (2)	I	Represents shares held by Spiral,	

Inc. (5)

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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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Titl	e and	8. Price of	9
Derivativ	e Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transacti	orNumber	Expiration Da	ate	Amou	nt of	Derivative	J
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Under	lying	Security	,
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	e		Secur	ities	(Instr. 5)	]
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	Security				Acquired						J
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					of (D)						(
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				Code V	(A) (D)		*	Title	Number of Shares		

## **Reporting Owners**

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Reporting Owner Name / Address	

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Yates George M 5400 LBJ FREEWAY SUITE 1500 DALLAS, TX 75240

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### **Signatures**

/s/ George M. Yates, by Kyle A. Ellis as attorney-in-fact

04/13/2017

\*\*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).
- Represents restricted stock units granted to the reporting person on April 11, 2017. Such restricted stock units will vest, and an equal (1) number of shares of common stock will be deliverable to the reporting person, in equal annual installments on the first, second and third anniversaries of the date of grant.
- The reporting person states that neither the filing of this statement nor anything herein shall be deemed an admission that such person is, (2) for purposes of Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise, the beneficial owner of these shares. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares, except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.
- (3) Represents shares acquired as consideration in the merger (the "Merger") of Harvey E. Yates Company, a wholly-owned subsidiary of HEYCO Energy Group, Inc. ("HEYCO"), with and into a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Issuer. Includes 166,667 shares of common

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stock which are being held in an escrow account pursuant to the Merger. As Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of HEYCO, the reporting person has ultimate voting and dispositive power with respect to all shares held by HEYCO.

- HEYCO is owned 51.167461% by Explorers Petroleum Corporation and 45.353507% by Spiral, Inc. The reporting person owns
   51.002744% of Explorers Petroleum Corporation, and the reporting person's family owns 25% of Spiral, Inc. through a series of trusts of which the reporting person is the sole trustee.
- (5) The reporting person's family owns 25% of Spiral, Inc., an entity owned through a series of trusts of which the reporting person is the sole trustee.

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