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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement Matador Resources Co [NONE] Foran Joseph Wm (Month/Day/Year) 02/01/2012 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 5400 LBJ FREEWAY, SUITE (Check all applicable) 1500 (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group 10% Owner _X__ Director _X__ Officer Other Filing(Check Applicable Line) (give title below) (specify below) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Chairman, CEO and President Person DALLAS, TXÂ 75240 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) I Class A Common Stock (1) 756,533 See footnote (2) Class A Common Stock (1) 19,000 See footnote (3) Class A Common Stock (1) I See footnote (4) 135,500 Ι Class A Common Stock (1) 50,000 See footnote (5)Class A Common Stock 893,290 I See footnote (6) Class A Common Stock 893,290 I See footnote (7)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of	5. Ownership Form of Derivative	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Expirati Exercisable Date	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Class B Common Stock	(8)	(8)	Class A Common Stock	250,000	\$ <u>(8)</u>	I	See footnote (2)
Class B Common Stock	(8)	(8)	Class A Common Stock	315,350	\$ <u>(8)</u>	I	See footnote (6)
Class B Common Stock	(8)	(8)	Class A Common Stock	315,350	\$ <u>(8)</u>	I	See footnote (7)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Kelationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Foran Joseph Wm 5400 LBJ FREEWAY, SUITE 1500 DALLAS, TX 75240	ÂX	Â	Chairman, CEO and President	Â		

Signatures

/s/ Joseph Wm.
Foran

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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 reporting person states that neither the filing of this statement nor anything herein shall be deemed an admission that such person is, (1) 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.
- (2) Represents shares held of record by Sage Resources, Ltd., which is a limited partnership owned by the reporting person's family, including the reporting person.
- (3) Represents shares held of record by two of the reporting person's college age children.
- (4) Represents shares held of record by The Don Foran Family Trust 2008, for which the reporting person is the co-trustee and over which the reporting person has shared voting and investment power with other members of his family.
- (5) Represents shares held of record by The Foran Family Special Needs Trust for which the reporting person is the co-trustee and over which the reporting person has shared voting and investment power with other members of his family.

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- (6) Represents shares held of record by the JWF 2011-1 GRAT, for which the reporting person is the trustee and over which the reporting person has sole voting and investment power.
- (7) Represents shares held of record by the NNF 2011-1 GRAT, for which the reporting person is the trustee and over which the reporting person has sole voting and investment power.
- The Class B common stock is convertible on a one-for-one basis at any time by the reporting person and shall automatically convert into shares of Class A common stock on a one-for-one basis upon the consummation of the issuer's initial public offering. The shares of Class B common stock have no expiration date.

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