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FORM 4

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

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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 * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Lancaster David E Issuer Symbol Matador Resources Co [MTDR] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title _ Other (specify 5400 LBJ FREEWAY, SUITE 1500 01/02/2018 below) EVP and CFO (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 Form filed by More than One Reporting DALLAS, TX 75240 Person

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative	Secui	rities Acq	uired, Disposed o	of, or Benefici	ally Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired or(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or			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	01/02/2018		Code V M	Amount 62,500	(D)	Price \$ 8.21	385,162 (1) (2) (3) (4) (5) (6)	D	
Common Stock	01/02/2018		F	35,843 (7)	D	\$ 31.59	349,319 <u>(1)</u> (2) (3) (4) (5) (6)	D	
Common Stock							75,500	I	Represents shares held

Represents shares held of record by the reporting person's Individual Retirement

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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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option	\$ 8.21	01/02/2018		M	62,500	<u>(8)</u>	03/07/2018	Common Stock	62,500

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
F-	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Lancaster David E							
5400 LBJ FREEWAY			EVP and CFO				
SUITE 1500			EVF allu CFO				

Signatures

DALLAS, TX 75240

/s/ David E. Lancaster, by Kyle A. Ellis as attorney-in-fact 01/04/2018

**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).
- (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.

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- (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.
- Represents shares withheld by the Issuer in connection with the reporting person's net share settlement to satisfy the exercise price and the (7) 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.

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