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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

2. Date of Event Requiring Statement(Month/Day/Year)	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Matador Resources Co [NONE]				
02/01/2012		1 0	5. If Amendment, Date Origina Filed(Month/Day/Year)		
	(Check a	all applicable)			
	X Director Officer (give title below)	Other	Filing(Check Applicable Line)_X_ Form filed by One Reporting		
			Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
Table I - N	lon-Derivati	ve Securiti	es Beneficially Owned		
	Owned	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)		
380,977		D	Â		
242,250		Ι	See Footnote (2)		
25,000		Ι	See Footnote (3)		
	Statement (Month/Day/Year) 02/01/2012 Table I - N 2. Amount of Beneficially (Instr. 4) 380,977 242,250	Statement Matador Res (Month/Day/Year) 02/01/2012 4. Relationship Person(s) to Iss (Check a XDirector Officer (give title below) Table I - Non-Derivati 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4) 380,977 242,250	Statement (Month/Day/Year)Matador Resources Co Matador Resources Co $02/01/2012$ 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer $(Check all applicable)$ $-X_{-Director}$ (Check all applicable) $-X_{-Director}$ (give title below) $10\% C$ (specify below)Table I - Non-Derivative Securities (give title below)2. Amount of Securities (Instr. 4)3. Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)380,977D 242,250I		

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	2. Date Exercisable and	3. Title and Amount of	4.	5.	6. Nature of Indirect
(Instr. 4)	Expiration Date	Securities Underlying	Conversion	Ownership	Beneficial Ownership

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			Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		or Exercise Price of	Form of Derivative	(Instr. 5)
		Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Stock Option (right to buy)	(4)	02/07/2012	Class A Common Stock	2,250	\$9	D	Â
Stock Option (right to buy)	(4)	05/16/2012	Class A Common Stock	1,500	\$9	D	Â
Stock Option (right to buy)	(4)	02/12/2013	Class A Common Stock	1,500	\$ 10	D	Â
Stock Option (right to buy)	(4)	05/21/2013	Class A Common Stock	1,500	\$ 13.33	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
LANEY DAVID M. 5400 LBJ FREEWAY, SUITE 1500 DALLAS, TX 75240	X	Â	Â	Â		

Signatures

/s/ David M. Laney 01/28/2012 <u>**Signature of Date</u> Reporting Person

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 242,250 shares held of record by the reporting person's adult children, who gave the reporting person voting power of such shares through a revocable power of attorney.
- (3) Represents 25,000 shares held of record by Laney Investments Ltd.
- (4) The stock options are fully vested and exercisable as of the day of this report.

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