LOEGERING CORY L

Form 4

January 28, 2010

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Last)

(City)

(Instr. 3)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * LOEGERING CORY L

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

MARINER ENERGY INC [ME]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Middle)

(Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

10% Owner

(Check all applicable)

Sr. VP-Deepwater

Indirect

Beneficial

Ownership

(Instr. 4)

ONE BRIARLAKE PLAZA, SUITE

(Street)

(State)

(Month/Day/Year) 01/28/2010

Director X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

2000, 2000 WEST SAM HOUSTON

(First)

PARKWAY SOUTH

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

F

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

HOUSTON, TX 77042

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Securities Form: Direct Beneficially (D) or Owned Indirect (I) Following (Instr. 4)

Reported Transaction(s)

(A) or (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount Price (D)

Common 01/28/2010 Stock

2,812

D

(1)

193,187

D

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

(Month/Day/Year)

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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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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. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		e	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8 I S
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 14					03/11/2008	03/11/2015	Common Stock	40,000	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
reporting of the France Frances	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
LOEGERING CORY L ONE BRIARLAKE PLAZA, SUITE 2000 2000 WEST SAM HOUSTON PARKWAY SOUTH HOUSTON, TX 77042			Sr. VP-Deepwater			

Signatures

Cory L. Loegering by Teresa G. Bushman pursuant to Power of Attorney dated March 1, 01/28/2010 2006 (previously filed as Exhibit 24 to Mr. Loegering's Form 4 filed on May 31, 2006)

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**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).

On January 28, 2010, 6,774 shares of the issuer's common stock granted to the reporting person under the issuer's Stock Incentive Plan, as amended and restated from time to time (the "Plan"), vested. To satisfy withholding tax obligations in connection with the vesting, the issuer withheld the shares this Form reports were disposed. In accordance with the Plan, the number of shares withheld was determined by reference to the closing price per share of the issuer's common stock on the New York Stock Exchange on January 27, 2010 of \$15.80.

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