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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement MARINER ENERGY INC [ME] Grigg Murray W (Month/Day/Year) 03/02/2010 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) ONE BRIARLAKE PLAZA. (Check all applicable) SUITE 2000, 2000 WEST SAM HOUSTON PARKWAY 10% Owner Director SOUTH _X__ Officer Other (give title below) (specify below) (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group VP - Unconventional Resources Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person HOUSTON, TXÂ 77042 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) (Instr. 5) Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (Instr. 5) Â Common Stock 39,718 D Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not

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

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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
	(Month/Day/Year)	Derivative Security	or Exercise	Form of	(Instr. 5)

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(Instr. 4) Price of Derivative Derivative Security: Date **Expiration Title** Amount or Direct (D) Security Exercisable Date Number of or Indirect Shares (I) (Instr. 5)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

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Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Grigg Murray W

ONE BRIARLAKE PLAZA, SUITE 2000 2000 WEST SAM HOUSTON PARKWAY SOUTH HOUSTON, TXÂ 77042

Â VP - Unconventional Resources Â

Signatures

Murray W. Grigg by Teresa G. Bushman pursuant to Power of Attorney dated March 4, 2010 and filed herewith as Exhibit 24

03/05/2010

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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