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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading **GINNS JONATHAN J** Issuer Symbol MARINER ENERGY INC [ME] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify ACON INVESTMENTS LLC, 1133 05/05/2010 below) CONNECTICUT AVENUE, NW, **SUITE 700** (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 WASHINGTON, DC 20036 (City) (State) (Zip)

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1.Title of Security	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio	4. Securities on Acquired (A) or			5. Amount of Securities	6. Ownership Form: Direct	7. Nature of Indirect	
(Instr. 3)		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			·	Beneficially Owned	(D) or Indirect (I)	Beneficial Ownership
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			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	05/05/2010		A	6,198	A	(1)	36,570	D	
Common Stock							23,512 (2)	I	See Footnote

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

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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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Title	and	8. Price of	9. Nu
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				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address 10% Owner Officer Other Director

GINNS JONATHAN J ACON INVESTMENTS LLC 1133 CONNECTICUT AVENUE, NW, SUITE 700 WASHINGTON, DC 20036



Signatures

Jonathan J. Ginns by Teresa G. Bushman pursuant to Power of Attorney dated March 1, 2006 (previously filed as Exhibit 24 to Mr. Ginns' Form 4/A filed on April 4, 2006).

05/05/2010

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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- 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).
- Shares of restricted stock granted on May 11, 2009 under the issuer's Stock Incentive Plan, as amended and restated from time to time. The shares vest one-third on each of the next three regularly-scheduled annual meetings of the issuer's stockholders following the date of grant. The number of shares granted was determined by reference to the closing price per share of the issuer's common stock on the New York Stock Exchange on May 8, 2009 of \$13.43.
- The decrease in the number of shares reported as indirectly owned since the last Form 4 filed reflects the distribution by ACON E&P, LLC (the "LLC") to ultimate beneficial owners of 100% of the 184,044 shares previously reported as beneficially owned by the LLC, including 23,512 shares distributed to an entity in which Mr. Ginns has a pecuniary interest. Mr. Ginns disclaimed beneficial ownership of the securities held by the LLC except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.

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