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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> Little Thomas Mitchell			2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year)		^g 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MARATHON OIL CORP [MRO]				
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	01/25/201	3	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	
C/O MARA CORPORA FELIPE ST	TION, 55				(Check all applicable) <u></u> Director <u></u> 10% Owner <u></u> Officer <u></u> Other (give title below) (specify below)		Owner er ow)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)	
HOUSTON, TX 77056						dent (See Rem	arks)	_X_Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)		Table I - N	Non-Deriva	tive Securit	ies Be	eneficially Owned	
1.Title of Secu (Instr. 4)	urity			2. Amount o Beneficially (Instr. 4)		3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)		ture of Indirect Beneficial ership :. 5)	
Marathon Oil Corporation Common Stock			20,199		D	Â			
Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficiall owned directly or indirectly.					cially S	SEC 1473 (7-02	2)		
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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative	2. Date Exercisable and	3. Title and Amount of	4.	5.	6. Nature of Indirect
Security	Expiration Date	Securities Underlying	Conversion	Ownership	Beneficial
(Instr. 4)	(Month/Day/Year)	Derivative Security	or Exercise	Form of	Ownership
		(Instr. 4)	Price of	Derivative	(Instr. 5)
			Derivative	Security:	

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	05/30/2010	05/30/2017	Common Stock	7,661	\$ 38.25	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	05/28/2011	05/28/2018	Common Stock	5,908	\$ 32.06	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	05/27/2012	05/27/2019	Common Stock	6,836	\$ 18.32	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	05/27/2010	05/27/2019	Common Stock	6,837	\$ 18.32	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	05/26/2011	05/26/2020	Common Stock	6,565	\$ 19.03	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	05/26/2012(1)	05/26/2020	Common Stock	13,133	\$ 19.03	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	05/25/2012(2)	05/25/2021	Common Stock	18,947	\$ 33.06	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	08/31/2012 <u>(3)</u>	08/31/2021	Common Stock	2,309	\$ 26.92	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	02/28/2013(4)	02/28/2022	Common Stock	5,009	\$ 35.06	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
rg	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Little Thomas Mitchell C/O MARATHON OIL CORPORATION 5555 SAN FELIPE STREET HOUSTON, TX 77056	Â	Â	Vice President (See Remarks)	Â		
Signatures						

Signatures

Richard J. Kolencik, Attorney-in-Fact for Thomas Mitchell 02/01/2013 Little **Signature of Reporting Person Date

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).

(1) Vests in cumulative annual installments of 6,565 and 6,568 shares on May 26, 2012 and 2013, respectively.

- (2) Vests in cumulative annual installments of 6,315, 6316 and 6,316 shares on May 25, 2012, 2013 and 2014, respectively.
- (3) Vests in cumulative annual installments of 769, 770 and 770 shares on August 31, 2012, 2013 and 2014, respectively.
- (4) Vests in cumulative annual installments of 1,669, 1,670 and 1,670 shares on February 28, 2013, 2014 and 2015, respectively.

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Â **Remarks:** Vice President-International Production Operations

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