ST MARY LAND & EXPLORATION CO Form 3 July 18, 2007 FORM 3 UNITED STATES SECU Wa

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and A Person <u>*</u> Leyende			2. Date of Event Requiring Statement(Month/Day/Year)	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ST MARY LAND & EXPLORATION CO [SM]				
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	07/16/2007	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner X Officer Other (give title below) (specify below) Vice President-General Manager			 5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) 	
1776 LINC	(Street)	A STE. 700						
DENVER,Â	COÂ 802	03					_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - N	Non-Derivat	ive Securiti	es Be	neficially Owned	
1.Title of Secu (Instr. 4)	rity		2. Amount o Beneficially (Instr. 4)		3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nat Owne (Instr.	*	
Common St	ock; \$.01 I	Par Value	128		D	Â		
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				Shares		(I) (Instr. 5)	
Restricted Stock Unit	(2)	(2)	Common Stock	1,000	\$ <u>(1)</u>	D	Â
Restricted Stock Unit	(3)	(3)	Common Stock	103	\$ <u>(1)</u>	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Leyendecker Gregory T 1776 LINCOLN ST. STE. 700 DENVER, CO 80203	Â	Â	Vice President-General Manager	Â		
Signatures						
/s/ Karin M. Writer (Attorney-In-Fact)	07/18/2007					
**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) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of the issuer's common stock.
- (2) The restricted stock units vest in three equal annual installments beginning December 1, 2007. Vested shares will be issued to the reporting person on December 1, 2009, at which time all restrictions lapse.
- (3) The restricted stock units vest in four equal annual installments beginning February 28, 2007. Vested shares will be issued to the reporting person on February 28, 2010, at which time all restrictions lapse.

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