

ST MARY LAND & EXPLORATION CO  
 Form 3  
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**FORM 3 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**Washington, D.C. 20549**

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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,  
 Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section  
 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Leyendecker Gregory T (Last) (First) (Middle)  1776 LINCOLN ST., STE. 700 (Street)  DENVER, CO 80203 (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 07/16/2007	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ST MARY LAND & EXPLORATION CO [SM]	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> 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) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value	128	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly. SEC 1473 (7-02)

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

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

				Shares		(I) (Instr. 5)	
Restricted Stock Unit	Â (2)	Â (2)	Common Stock	1,000	\$ (1)	D	Â
Restricted Stock Unit	Â (3)	Â (3)	Common Stock	103	\$ (1)	D	Â

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Leyendecker Gregory T 1776 LINCOLN ST. STE. 700 DENVER,Â COÂ 80203	Â	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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