MARATHON OIL CORP

Form 4

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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person
MATHENY KENNETH L

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Last) (First)

(Middle)

MARATHON OIL CORP [MRO]

(Check all applicable)

C/O MARATHON OIL

CORPORATION. 5555 SAN FELIPE ROAD

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 12/08/2006

Director 10% Owner _X__ Officer (give title _ Other (specify below)

V.P.-Investor Rel./Public Aff.

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

HOUSTON, TX 77056

(City)	(State) (Z	Table	I - Non-De	erivative S	ecurit	ies Acquire	ed, Disposed of, o	or Beneficially	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit our Dispos (Instr. 3, 4	ed of (` ′	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
COMMON			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
STOCK	12/08/2006		M	7,734	A	⁰ 25.515	24,646	D	
COMMON STOCK	12/08/2006		D	7,734	D	\$ 93.9	16,912	D	
COMMON STOCK	12/08/2006		M	18,466	A	\$ 33.61	35,378	D	
COMMON STOCK	12/08/2006		D	6,599	D	\$ 94.06	28,779	D	
COMMON STOCK	12/08/2006		F	4,326	D	\$ 94.06	24,453	D	

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COMMON STOCK	12/08/2006	S	6,700	D	\$ 93.86 17,753	D
COMMON STOCK	12/08/2006	S	841	D	\$ 93.93 16,912	D

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 Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of on Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Ame Underlying Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Stock Appreciation Right	\$ 33.61	12/08/2006		M	18,466	05/26/2005(1)	05/26/2014	COMMON STOCK
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 25.515	12/08/2006		M(2)	7,734	05/28/2004(3)	05/28/2013	COMMON STOCK
Stock Appreciation Right	\$ 25.515	12/08/2006		M(2)	7,734	05/28/2004(3)	05/28/2013	COMMON STOCK

Reporting Owners

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

MATHENY KENNETH L C/O MARATHON OIL CORPORATION 5555 SAN FELIPE ROAD HOUSTON, TX 77056

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Signatures

By: R. J. Kolencik, Attorney-in-Fact for Kenneth L. Matheny

12/12/2006

**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).
- (1) Vests in three cumulative annual installments of 9,233, 9,233, and 9,234 shares on May 26, 2005, 2006, and 2007, respectively.
- (2) Exercise of tandem SAR and cancellation of underlying stock option.
- (3) Vests in three equal annual installments on May 28, 2004, 2005 and 2006.

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