#### COSSE STEVEN A

Form 4

December 18, 2012

# FORM 4

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

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See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * COSSE STEVEN A			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol MURPHY OIL CORP /DE [MUR]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)		
(Last) (First) (Middle)		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check air approacie)		
			(Month/Day/Year)	X Director 10% Owner		
200 PEACH STREET, P.O. BOX			12/17/2012	X Officer (give title Other (specify below)		
7000				President & CEO		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line)		
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(City)	(State)	(Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned									
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) Transaction Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)  (A) or				5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
Common Stock	12/17/2012		Code V M	Amount 10,000	(D)	Price \$ 21.17	73,300	D			
Common Stock	12/17/2012		S(1)	10,000	D	\$ 59.4501	63,300	D			
Common Stock	12/18/2012		M	8,333	A	\$ 51.07	71,633	D			
Common Stock	12/18/2012		M	6,250	A	\$ 43.95	77,883	D			
Common Stock	12/18/2012		F(2)	12,971	D	\$ 59.675	64,912	D			

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Common Stock	12/18/2012	S <u>(1)</u>	1,612	D	\$ 60.2851	63,300	D	
Common Stock						10,962	I	Trustee Of Company Thrift Plan

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of or 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 Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option	\$ 21.17	12/17/2012		M		10,000	02/04/2005	02/04/2013	Common Stock	10,000
Stock Option	\$ 51.07	12/18/2012		M		8,333	02/06/2009	02/06/2014	Common Stock	8,333
Stock Option	\$ 43.95	12/18/2012		M		6,250	02/03/2011	02/03/2016	Common Stock	6,250

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships								
1 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other					
COSSE STEVEN A 200 PEACH STREET P.O. BOX 7000 EL DORADO, AR 71731-7000	X		President & CEO						
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Date

### **Signatures**

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

/s/ John A. Moore, attorney-in-fact

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## **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* 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) The sales reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on August 16, 2012.
- (2) Represents a "net exercise" of outstanding stock options. These shares were withheld by the Company for payment of the exercise price and applicable taxes, using the average high and low price on December 17, 2012 of \$59.675.

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