

Goodwin Billy E
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Goodwin Billy E

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
Matador Resources Co [MTDR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
5400 LBJ FREEWAY, SUITE 1500

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
01/23/2018

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)

EVP - Operations

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

DALLAS, TX 75240

(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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| | | | Code | V Amount (A) or (D) Price | | | |
| Common Stock | 01/23/2018 | | M | 34,286 A \$ 22.01 | 141,815 ⁽¹⁾ ₍₂₎ | D | |
| Common Stock | 01/23/2018 | | F | 26,719 ₍₃₎ D \$ 33.3 | 115,096 ⁽¹⁾ ₍₂₎ | 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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of 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 |
| Employee Stock Option | \$ 22.01 | 01/23/2018 | | M | 34,286 | (4) 01/20/2020 | Common Stock 34,286 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Goodwin Billy E 5400 LBJ FREEWAY SUITE 1500 DALLAS, TX 75240 | | | EVP - Operations | |

Signatures

/s/ Billy E. Goodwin, by Kyle A. Ellis as attorney-in-fact

01/25/2018

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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) Includes 21,552 shares of restricted stock granted to the reporting person on February 15, 2017 that vest in equal annual installments on the first, second and third anniversaries of the date of grant.

(2) Includes 19,777 shares of restricted stock granted to the reporting person on February 19, 2016 that vest on the third anniversary of the date of grant.

(3) Represents shares withheld by the Issuer in connection with the reporting person's net share settlement to satisfy the exercise price and tax liability upon the exercise of 34,286 employee stock options that were granted to the reporting person on January 21, 2015. No shares were sold by the reporting person to satisfy the exercise price or the tax liability.

(4) The employee stock options were fully vested on January 21, 2018.

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