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FORM 3 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Workington D.C. 20540					OMB APPROVAL		
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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES						January 31, 2005	
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Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,						0.5	
	the Public Utility Holdi 0(h) of the Investment C	• • •		5 or Section	n		
(Print or Type Responses)							
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> Nicklin David F	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year)	g 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Matador Resources Co [NONE]					
(Last) (First) (Middle)	02/01/2012	4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If A			Amendment, Date Original (Month/Day/Year)		
5400 LBJ FREEWAY, SUITE				Thea	(Wolding Day) I ca	.,	
1500		(Check	all applicable)			
(Street)		Director		Owner	lividual or Join	t/Group	
		X Officer	 W) (specify bel 		g(Check Applical Form filed by One		
DALLAS, TX 75240			tor of Explora	tion Perso			
(City) (State) (Zip)	Table I - N	Non-Derivat	tive Securit	ies Benefic	ially Owned	t	
1.Title of Security	2. Amount o		3.		Indirect Benef	icial	
(Instr. 4)	Beneficially (Instr. 4)	Owned	Ownership Form:	Ownership (Instr. 5)			
			Direct (D)				

Class A Common Stock

Nicklin David F

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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

30,000

or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)

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SEC 1473 (7-02)

See footnote (1)

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

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date		Amount or Number of Shares		or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Stock Option (right to buy)	(2)	02/12/2013	Class A Common Stock	15,000	\$ 10	D	Â
Stock Option (right to buy)	(<u>3)</u>	02/21/2020	Class A Common Stock	10,000	\$9	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address		Relationships					
		10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Nicklin David F 5400 LBJ FREEWAY, SUITE 1500 DALLAS, TX 75240	Â	Â	Exe Director of Exploration	Â			

Signatures

/s/ David F. 01/28/2012 Nicklin Date **Signature of

Reporting Person

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) Represents shares held of record by the reporting person's Individual Retirement Account.
- (2) The stock options are fully vested and exercisable as of the day of this report.
- (3) The stock options vest in four equal annual installments beginning on February 22, 2011.

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