MATHENY KENNETH L

Form 4

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

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading MATHENY KENNETH L Issuer Symbol MARATHON OIL CORP [MRO] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner Other (specify _X__ Officer (give title C/O MARATHON OIL 09/13/2005 below) **CORPORATION. 5555 SAN** V.P.-Investor Rel./Public Aff. **FELIPE ROAD** (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting HOUSTON, TX 77056

(City)	(State) (Z	Table Table	I - Non-De	erivative S	ecurit	ies Acquire	ed, Disposed of, o	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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)				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 STOCK	09/13/2005		Code V	Amount 15,466	or (D)	Price \$ 25.515	(Instr. 3 and 4) 42,563	D	
COMMON STOCK	09/13/2005		S	15,466	D	\$ 66.59	27,097	D	
COMMON STOCK	09/13/2005		S	200	D	\$ 66.7	26,897	D	
COMMON STOCK	09/13/2005		S	4,400	D	\$ 66.64	22,497	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 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
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 25.515	09/13/2005		M <u>(1)</u>	15,466	05/28/2004(2)	05/28/2013	COMMON STOCK
Stock Appreciation Right	\$ 25.515	09/13/2005		M <u>(1)</u>	15,466	05/28/2004(2)	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

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

Signatures

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

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09/14/2005

**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) Exercise of tandem SAR and cancellation of underlying stock option.
- (2) Vests in three equal annual installments on May 28, 2004, 2005 and 2006.

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