

ST MARY LAND & EXPLORATION CO

Form 4

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**FORM 4**

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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 \*  
Solomon Mark T

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
ST MARY LAND & EXPLORATION CO [SM]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
1776 LINCOLN ST., SUITE 700  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
12/31/2007

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

DENVER, CO 80203

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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**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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value	12/31/2007		J <sup>(1)</sup>	V	313	A	\$ 31.127
Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value	02/28/2008		M		218	A	<u>(2)</u> 3,052
Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value	02/28/2008		F		74	D	\$ 37.84 2,978
Common Stock; \$.01	02/28/2008		M		2,064	A	<u>(3)</u> 5,042

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Par Value

Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value 02/28/2008 F 665 D \$ 37.84 4,377 D

Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value 02/28/2008 M 190 A (4) 4,567 D

Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value 02/28/2008 F 71 D \$ 37.84 4,496 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
Restricted Stock Units	(2)	02/28/2008		M	218	02/28/2008 02/28/2008	Common Stock 218
Restricted Stock Units	(3)	02/28/2008		M	2,064	02/28/2008 02/28/2008	Common Stock 2,064
Restricted Stock Units	(4)	02/28/2008		A	758	(4) (4)	Common Stock 758
Restricted Stock Units	(4)	02/28/2008		M	190	02/28/2008 02/28/2008	Common Stock 190

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Solomon Mark T 1776 LINCOLN ST. SUITE 700 DENVER, CO 80203				Controller

## Signatures

Karin M. Writer  
(Attorney-In-Fact) 03/03/2008

\*\*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) Mr. Solomon purchased 313 shares of the issuer's common stock on December 31, 2007, through the issuer's Employee Stock Purchase Plan.  
  
Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of stock. The restricted stock units were granted on February 28, 2007, are associated with fiscal 2006, and vest in four equal installments beginning on the grant date. The vested shares were issued to the reporting person on February 28, 2008, at which time all restrictions on the vested shares lapsed.
  - (2) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of stock. The restricted stock units were granted on February 28, 2006, are associated with fiscal 2005, and vest in four equal installments beginning on the grant date. The vested shares were issued to the reporting person on February 28, 2008, at which time all restrictions on the vested shares lapsed.
  - (3) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of stock. The restricted stock units were granted on February 28, 2008, are associated with fiscal 2007, and vest in four equal installments beginning on the grant date. The vested shares were issued to the reporting person on February 28, 2008, at which time all restrictions on the vested shares lapsed.

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