STANFORD JAMES M

Form 3

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

 STANFORD JAMES M

(Last) (First) (Middle)

Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

01/18/2006

2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

KINDER MORGAN INC [KMI]

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

5. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

500 DALLAS

STREET, SUITE 1000

(Street)

(State)

X Director Officer

10% Owner Other (give title below) (specify below)

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

Person

Form filed by More than One

Reporting Person

HOUSTON, TXÂ 77002

(Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security

(Instr. 4)

(City)

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

(Instr. 4)

Ownership Form:

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

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Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)

COMMON STOCK 88 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 Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

2. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying **Derivative Security** (Instr. 4)

Conversion or Exercise Price of

Ownership Form of Derivative Security:

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership

(Instr. 5)

Title

Derivative Direct (D) Security

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Date Expiration Amount or or Indirect
Exercisable Date Number of (I)
Shares (Instr. 5)

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

STANFORD JAMES M 500 DALLAS STREET

SUITE 1000 Â X Â Â

HOUSTON, TXÂ 77002

Signatures

/s/ James M. 01/18/2006 Stanford

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(b)(v).

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