Matador Resources Co Form 4 January 23, 2015

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Adams Craig N

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Matador Resources Co [MTDR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

(Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Month/Day/Year)

Director 10% Owner

(Check all applicable)

X_ Officer (give title below)

Other (specify below)

5400 LBJ FREEWAY, SUITE 1500

(Street)

(State)

01/21/2015

EVP - Land & Legal 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

DALLAS, TX 75240

(City)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

(1)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially (D) or Owned Following (Instr. 4) Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4)

(A) or

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Common Stock

01/21/2015

Code V Amount (D) Price 4,375 A \$0

44,846 (2) (3) D (4) (5) (6)

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

(Month/Day/Year)

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

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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 orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4,	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	and 5) (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option	\$ 22.01	01/21/2015		A	30,000	<u>(7)</u>	01/20/2020	Common Stock	30,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Adams Craig N 5400 LBJ FREEWAY SUITE 1500 DALLAS, TX 75240

EVP - Land & Legal

Signatures

/s/ Craig N. Adams, by Kyle A. Ellis as attorney-in-fact

01/23/2015

**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) Represents shares of restricted stock granted to the reporting person on January 21, 2015. Such shares of restricted stock will vest on the third anniversary of the date of grant, January 21, 2018.
- (2) Includes 4,300 shares of restricted stock granted to the reporting person on March 7, 2014. Such shares of restricted stock will vest in two equal biennial installments beginning on the second anniversary of the date of grant, March 7, 2016.
- (3) Includes 3,171 shares of restricted stock granted to the reporting person on February 11, 2014. Such shares of restricted stock will vest in two equal biennial installments beginning on the second anniversary of the date of grant, February 11, 2016.
- (4) Includes 15,000 shares of restricted stock granted to the reporting person on March 8, 2013. Such shares of restricted stock will vest on the fourth anniversary of the date of grant, March 8, 2017.
- (5) Includes 1,667 shares of restricted stock granted to the reporting person on November 8, 2012 that vest on the third anniversary of the date of grant, November 8, 2015.
- (6) Includes 2,500 shares of restricted stock granted to the reporting person on September 28, 2012 that vest on the fourth anniversary of the date of grant, September 28, 2016.
- (7) The employee stock options vest on the third anniversary of the date of grant, January 21, 2018.

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