Foran Joseph Wm Form 4 July 26, 2017

FORM 4

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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Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Matador Resources Co [MTDR]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 1(b).

Symbol

(M. 41/D) /SZ

(Print or Type Responses)

Foran Joseph Wm

(Last)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

(First)

(Middle)

5400 LBJ FREEV	WAY, SUITE 150	(Month/D 0 07/24/20	•				X Director X Officer (give below)		Owner er (specify
DALLAS, TX 75	Filed(Mon	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
1.Title of 2. Tr Security (Mor (Instr. 3)	any		3.	4. Securition(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4	ies Ac	quired of (D)	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
Common Stock Common Stock Common	24/2017		M	87,500	A	\$ 8.21	1,084,933 (5)	I	See footnote (6)
Stock Common Stock							862,764 (5) 239,962 (5) (8)	I I	footnote (7) See footnote (9)
Common Stock							203,583 (5) (8)	I	See footnote (10)

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Common Stock	4,000 (5)	I	See footnote (11)
Common Stock	51,807 (5)	I	See footnote (12)
Common Stock	51,807 (5)	I	See footnote (13)
Common Stock	261,391 (5)	I	See footnote (14)
Common Stock	261,391 <u>(5)</u>	I	See footnote (15)
Common Stock	169,728 <u>(5)</u>	I	See footnote (16)
Common Stock	169,728 <u>(5)</u>	I	See footnote (17)
Common Stock	325,769 (5)	I	See footnote (18)
Common Stock	325,769 (5)	I	See footnote (19)
Common Stock	119,500 (5)	I	See footnote (20)
Common Stock	50,000 (5)	I	See footnote (21)
Common Stock	270 (5)	I	See footnote (22)

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)

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of ctionDerivative Securities 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (I	O)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option	\$ 8.21	07/24/2017		M	87,	500	(23)	03/07/2018	Common Stock	87,500

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
1 6	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Foran Joseph Wm 5400 LBJ FREEWAY SUITE 1500 DALLAS, TX 75240	X		Chairman and CEO				

Signatures

/s/ Joseph Wm. Foran, by Kyle A. Ellis as attorney-in-fact

07/26/2017

**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) Includes 55,943 shares of restricted stock granted to the reporting person on February 15, 2017 that vest in equal annual installments on the first, second and third anniversaries of the date of grant.
- (2) Includes 94,230 shares of restricted stock granted to the reporting person on February 19, 2016 that vest on the third anniversary of the date of grant.
- (3) Includes 8,547 shares of restricted stock granted to the reporting person on March 7, 2014 that vest on the fourth anniversary of the date of grant.
- Amount of securities reported reflects the total number of securities directly held by the reporting person following the exercise of stock options reported herein and a contribution of shares by the reporting person to each of the Foran 2012 Savings Trust and Foran 2012 Security Trust, pursuant to the terms of such trusts, as described below.
- The reporting person states that neither the filing of this statement nor anything herein shall be deemed an admission that such person is, for purposes of Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise, the beneficial owner of these shares. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares, except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.
- (6) Represents shares held of record by Sage Resources, Ltd., which is a limited partnership owned by the reporting person's family, including the reporting person.
- (7) Represents shares held of record collectively by the LRF 2011 Non-GST Trust, WJF 2011 Non-GST Trust, JNF 2011 Non-GST Trust, SIF 2011 Non-GST Trust and MCF 2011 Non-GST Trust (collectively, the "Non-GST Trusts"). The reporting person and his spouse, as

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- settlors of each of the Non-GST Trusts, retain the power of substitution with respect to the property of the Non-GST Trusts.
- (8) Amount of securities reported reflects the total number of securities held by the trust following the contribution of shares by the reporting person to the trust, pursuant to the terms thereof.
- (9) Represents shares held of record by the Foran 2012 Savings Trust for which the reporting person's spouse is a trustee.
- (10) Represents shares held of record by the Foran 2012 Security Trust for which the reporting person is the trustee.
- (11) Represents shares held of record by the reporting person's spouse through her Individual Retirement Account.
- (12) Represents shares held of record by the JWF 2015-2 GRAT, for which the reporting person is the trustee and over which the reporting person has sole voting and investment power.
- (13) Represents shares held of record by the NNF 2015-2 GRAT, for which the reporting person is the trustee and over which the reporting person has sole voting and investment power.
- (14) Represents shares held of record by the JWF 2016-1 GRAT, for which the reporting person is the trustee and over which the reporting person has sole voting and investment power.
- (15) Represents shares held of record by the NNF 2016-1 GRAT, for which the reporting person is the trustee and over which the reporting person has sole voting and investment power.
- (16) Represents shares held of record by the JWF 2016-2 GRAT, for which the reporting person is the trustee and over which the reporting person has sole voting and investment power.
- (17) Represents shares held of record by the NNF 2016-2 GRAT, for which the reporting person is the trustee and over which the reporting person has sole voting and investment power.
- (18) Represents shares held of record by the JWF 2017-1 GRAT, for which the reporting person is the trustee and over which the reporting person has sole voting and investment power.
- (19) Represents shares held of record by the NNF 2017-1 GRAT, for which the reporting person is the trustee and over which the reporting person has sole voting and investment power.
- (20) Represents shares held of record by The Don Foran Family Trust 2008, for which the reporting person is the co-trustee and over which the reporting person has shared voting and investment power with other members of his family.
- (21) Represents shares held of record by The Foran Family Special Needs Trust for which the reporting person is the co-trustee and over which the reporting person has shared voting and investment power with other members of his family.
- (22) Represents shares held of record by the Individual Retirement Account of the reporting person's adult child, who gave the reporting person investment power over such shares through a revocable power of attorney.
- (23) The employee stock options vested in two equal biennial installments and were fully vested as of March 8, 2017.

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