As filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 28, 2001 Registration No. 333-\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549 FORM S-8 REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933 -----Murphy Oil Corporation (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter) Delaware 2911 71-0361522 (Primary Standard (State or other (I.R.S. Employer jurisdiction of Industrial Identification No.) incorporation or Classification Code Number) organization) 200 Peach Street P.O. Box 7000 El Dorado, AR 71731-7000 (870) 862-6411 (Address of principal executive offices) MURPHY OIL CORPORATION 1992 STOCK INCENTIVE PLAN (Full title of the plan) Steven A. Cosse (Senior Vice President and General Counsel) 200 Peach Street Post Office Box 7000 El Dorado, AR 71731-7000 (Name and address of agent for service) Telephone number, including area code, of agent for service: (870) 862-6411 Copy to: Andrew Stumpff Davis Polk & Wardwell 450 Lexington Avenue New York, NY 10017 (212) 450-4000 CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

Title of Securities to be Registered	Amount to be Registeered(1)	Proposed Maximum Offering Price Per Share(2)	Proposed Maximum Aggregate Offering Price (2)	Amount of Registration Fee
Murphy Oil Corporation Common Stock par value \$1.00 per share	500,000 shares	\$61.80	\$30,900,000	\$7,725

(1) Plus an indeterminate number of additional shares which may be offered and issued to prevent dilution resulting from stock splits, stock dividends or similar transactions.

(2) Estimated pursuant to Rule 457(c) under the Securities Act of 1933 solely for the purpose of computing the registration fee, based on the average of the high and low prices of the securities being registered hereby on the New York Stock Exchange Composite Transaction Tape on March 22, 2001.

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## Item 3. INCORPORATION OF DOCUMENTS BY REFERENCE

The Registrant hereby incorporates herein by reference the following documents:

(1) The Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2000.

(2) All documents filed with the Commission by the Registrant pursuant to Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 and 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "1934 Act") subsequent to the date hereof and prior to the filing of a post-effective amendment (i) which indicates that all securities offered herein have been sold or (ii) which deregisters all securities then remaining unsold.

(3) The description of the Registrant's common stock \$1.00 par value ("Common Stock" or "Shares") contained in the Registrant's 1934 Act registration statement on Form 8-A dated September 12, 1989, filed with the Commission pursuant to the 1934 Act, including any amendment thereto or report filed for the purpose of updating such description.

Any statement contained herein or in a document incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference herein shall be deemed to be modified or superseded for purposes hereof or of the related prospectus to the extent that a statement contained herein or in any other subsequently filed document which is also incorporated or deemed to be incorporated herein modifies or supersedes such statement. Any such statement so modified or superseded shall not be deemed, except as so modified or superseded, to constitute a part of this Registration Statement.

Item 4. DESCRIPTION OF SECURITIES

Not applicable, see Item 3(3) above.

Item 5. INTERESTS OF NAMED EXPERTS AND COUNSEL

The validity of plan interests offered hereby will be passed upon for the Registrant by Walter K. Compton Esq. Manager, Law Department & Corporate Secretary of Murphy Oil Corporation. As of the date of this Registration Statement, the fair market value of securities of the Registrant, including options, beneficially owned by Mr. Compton exceeds \$50,000 and, accordingly, such interest is deemed to represent a substantial interest in the Registrant.

## Item 6. INDEMNIFICATION OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

Reference is made to section 102(b)(7) of the Delaware General Corporation Law (the "DGCL"), which enables a corporation in its certificate of incorporation to eliminate or limit the personal liability of a director for violations of the director's fiduciary duty, except (i) for breach of the director's duty of loyalty to the corporation or its stockholders, (ii) for acts or omissions not in good faith or which involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law, (iii) pursuant to section 174 of the DGCL (providing for liability of directors for unlawful payment of dividends or unlawful stock purchases or redemptions) or (iv) for any transaction from which a director derived an improper personal benefit. The Registrant's certificate of incorporation eliminates the liability of directors to the fullest extent permitted by Delaware law.

Reference is made to section 145 of the DGCL which provides that a corporation may indemnify directors and officers against expenses (including attorneys fees), judgments, fines and amounts paid in settlement in connection with specified actions, suits or proceedings, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative (other than an action by or in the right of the corporation (a "derivative action")) if they acted in good faith and in a manner they reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the corporation and, with respect to any criminal action or

proceeding, had no reasonable cause to believe their conduct was unlawful. A similar standard is applicable in the case of derivative actions, except that indemnification only extends to expenses (including attorneys fees) incurred in connection with defense or settlement of such action, and the statute requires court approval before there can be indemnification that may be granted by a corporation's charter, by-laws, disinterested director vote, stockholder vote, agreement or otherwise. The Registrant's certificate of incorporation provides for indemnification of its directors and officers, to the fullest extent permitted by Delaware law.

In addition, the Registrant has purchased and maintains directors' and officers' liability insurance.

Item 7. EXEMPTION FROM REGISTRATION CLAIMED Not Applicable.

Item 8. EXHIBITS

- 4.01 Certificate of Incorporation of the Registrant, as amended (filed as Exhibit 4.01 to the Registrant's Form S-8 filed on May 19, 1997 (Registration No. 333-27407))\*
- 4.02 By-Laws of Registrant, as amended February 7, 2001 (filed as Exhibit 3.2 to the Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2000)\*
- 5.01 Opinion of Walter K. Compton, Esq.
- 23.01 Consent of KPMG LLP
- 23.02 Consent of Walter K. Compton, Esq. (included in Exhibit 5.01)
- 24.01 Power of Attorney
- 99.01 Murphy Oil Corporation 1992 Stock Incentive Plan, as amended May 14, 1997 (filed as Exhibit 10.2 of Murphy's 10-Q for the quarterly period ended June 30, 1997 (Registration No. 333-27407))\*

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\* Incorporated herein by reference

Item 9. UNDERTAKINGS

(a) The undersigned Registrant hereby undertakes:

(1) To file, during any period in which offers or sales are being made, a post-effective amendment to this registration statement:

(i) To include any prospectus required by Section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act of 1933 (the "1933 Act");

(ii) To reflect in the prospectus any facts or events arising after the effective date of the registration statement (or the most recent post-effective amendment thereof) which, individually or in the aggregate, represent a fundamental change in the information set forth in the registration statement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any increase or decrease in volume of securities offered (if the total dollar value of securities offered would not exceed that which was registered) and any deviation from the low or high and of the estimated maximum offering range may be reflected in the form of prospectus filed with the Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) if, in the aggregate, the changes in volume and price represent no more than 20 percent change in the maximum aggregate offering price set forth in the "Calculation of Registration Fee" table in this registration statement; and (iii) To include any material information with respect to the plan of distribution not previously disclosed in the registration statement or any material change to such information in the registration statement;

provided, however, that paragraphs (a)(1)(i) and (a)(1)(ii) do not apply if the information required to be included in a post-effective amendment by those paragraphs is contained in periodic reports filed with or furnished to the Commission by the registrant pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the 1934 Act that are incorporated by reference in the registration statement.

(2) That, for the purpose of determining any liability under the 1933 Act, each such post-effective amendment shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.

(3) To remove from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the securities being registered which remain unsold at the termination of the offering.

(b) The undersigned registrant hereby undertakes that, for purposes of determining any liability under the 1933 Act, each filing of the registrant's annual report pursuant to Section 13(a) or Section 15(d) of the 1934 Act (and, where applicable, each filing of an employee benefit plan's Annual Report pursuant to Section 15(d) of the 1934 Act) that is incorporated by reference in the registration statement shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.

(c) Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the 1933 Act may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the registrant pursuant to the foregoing provisions, or otherwise, the registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the Commission such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the 1933 Act and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer or controlling person of the registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, the registrant will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Act and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

## SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the Registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-8 and has duly caused this Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of El Dorado, State of Arkansas, on March 28, 2001.

MURPHY OIL CORPORATION

By: /s/ Walter K. Compton Name: Walter K. Compton Title: Manager, Law Department & Corporate Secretary

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	quarterly period ended June 30, 1997 (Registration No.		
	333-27407))*		

March 27, 2001

Securities and Exchange Commission 450 Fifth Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20549

Re: Murphy Oil Corporation 1992 Stock Incentive Plan

Dear Sirs:

As Manager, Law Department & Corporate Secretary of Murphy Oil Corporation, (the "Company"), I advise you as follows in connection with the filing by the Company of a Registration Statement on Form S-8 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, with respect to the shares (the "Shares") of Common Stock (\$1.00 par value) issuable pursuant to the 1992 Stock Incentive Plan (the "Plan").

As Manager, Law Department & Corporate Secretary for the Company, I, or attorneys under my supervision, have participated in the preparation of the Registration Statement and have examined and relied upon such documents, opinions, precedents, records and other materials as I have deemed necessary or appropriate to provide a basis for the opinion set forth below. In this examination, I have assumed the genuineness of all signatures, the authenticity of all documents submitted to me as original documents and conformity to original documents of all documents submitted to me as certified or photostatic copies.

Based on the foregoing, I am of the opinion that the Shares deliverable pursuant to the Plan, when delivered in accordance with the Plan upon receipt by the Company of adequate consideration therefor, will be duly authorized, validly issued, fully paid and nonassessable.

I hereby consent to the filing of this opinion with the Securities and Exchange Commission as an exhibit to the Registration Statement.

Sincerely,

/s/ Walter K. Compton Walter K. Compton

EXHIBIT 23.01

Letterhead of KPMG LLP

Independent Auditors' Consent

The Board of Directors Murphy Oil Corporation:

We consent to the use of our report incorporated herein by reference.

/s/ KPMG LLP

KPMG LLP

Shreveport, Louisiana March 27,2001

## POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that each person whose signature appears below, constitutes and appoints Steven A. Cosse and Walter K. Compton, and each of them, our true and lawful attorneys-in-fact and agents, with full power of substitution and resubstitution, to do any and all acts and things and execute, in the name of the undersigned, any and all instruments which said attorneys-in-fact and agents may deem necessary or advisable in order to enable Murphy Oil Corporation to comply with the Securities Act of 1933 and any requirements of the Securities and Exchange Commission in respect thereof, in connection with the filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission of the registration statement on Form S-8 under the Securities Act of 1933, including specifically but without limitation, power and authority to sign the name of the undersigned to such registration statement, and any amendments to such registration statement (including post-effective amendments), and to file the same with all exhibits thereto and other documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission, to sign any and all applications, registration statements, notices or other documents necessary or advisable to comply with applicable state securities laws, and to file the same, together with other documents in connection therewith with the appropriate state securities authorities, granting unto said attorneys-in-fact and agents, and each of them, full power and authority to do and to perform each and every act and thing requisite or necessary to be done in and about the premises, as fully and to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do in person, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorneys-in-fact and agents, and any of them, or their substitutes, may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this Power of Attorney, has been executed by the following persons in the capacities indicated on March 26, 2001.

Signature	Title
/s/ R. Madison Murphy	
R. Madison Murphy	Chairman and Director
/s/ Claiborne P. Deming	
Claiborne P. Deming /s/ B.R.R. Butler	President and Chief Executive Officer and Director (Principal Executive Officer)
B. R. R. Butler	Director
/s/ George S. Dembroski	
George S. Dembroski	Director
/s/ H. Rodes Hart	
H. Rodes Hart	Director
/s/ Robert A. Hermes	
Robert A. Hermes	Director
/s/ Michael W. Murphy	
Michael W. Murphy	Director
/s/ William C. Nolan, Jr.	
William C. Nolan, Jr.	Director

/s/ William L. Rosoff	
William L. Rosoff	Director
/s/ David J.H. Smith	
David J. H. Smith	Director
/s/ Caroline G. Theus	
Caroline G. Theus	Director

/s/ Steven A. Cosse Steven A. Cosse

/s/ John W. Eckart John W. Eckart Senior Vice President, General Counsel (Principal Financial Officer)

Controller (Principal Accounting Officer)