

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *<br><u>Wood David M.</u><br><br>(Last) (First) (Middle)<br>200 PEACH STREET<br>P.O. BOX 7000<br><br>(Street)<br>EL DORADO AR 71731-7000<br><br>(City) (State) (Zip) | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol<br><u>MURPHY OIL CORP /DE [ MUR ]</u> | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director 10% Owner<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)<br><b>President &amp; CEO</b> |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)<br><u>10/05/2009</u>             |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |

**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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
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|                                 |                                      |                                                    | Code                           | V | Amount                                                            | (A) or (D) | Price    |                                                                                               |                                                          |                                                       |
| Common Stock                    | 10/05/2009                           |                                                    | M                              |   | 30,000                                                            | A          | \$30.295 | 36,471                                                                                        | D                                                        |                                                       |
| Common Stock                    | 10/05/2009                           |                                                    | S <sup>(1)</sup>               |   | 30,000                                                            | D          | \$56.68  | 6,471                                                                                         | D                                                        |                                                       |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |                                                    |                                |   |                                                                   |            |          | 2,345                                                                                         | I                                                        | Trustee of Company Thrift Plan                        |

**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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |       |
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|                                            |                                                        |                                      |                                                    | Code                           | V | (A)                                                                                    | (D)    | Date Exercisable                                         | Expiration Date |                                                                                   |                                            |                                                                                                    |                                                           |                                                        | Title |
| Stock Option                               | \$30.295                                               | 10/05/2009                           |                                                    | M                              |   |                                                                                        | 30,000 | 02/03/2006                                               | 02/03/2011      | Common Stock                                                                      | 30,000                                     | \$0                                                                                                | 30,000                                                    | D                                                      |       |

**Explanation of Responses:**

1. Economic benefit of non-transferable option transferred pursuant to domestic relations order.

**Remarks:**

/s/ Walter K. Compton,  
Attorney-in-Fact

10/06/2009

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

\* 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).

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