FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting HART H RODES	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MURPHY OIL CORP /DE [MUR]								(Check	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) (Check all applicable) X Director				10% Owner Other (specify below)						
(Last) (First) (Middle) 200 PEACH STREET P. O. BOX 7000						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/03/2004									Officer (give title	below)		Other (spe	ecity below)	
(Street) EL DORADO AR 71731-7000 (City) (State) (Zip)					If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																				
1. The of Security (means)							Deemed cution Date,	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed O 3, 4 and 5)				Beneficially Reported Ti		unt of Securities ially Owned Following ed Transaction(s)		ership Form: D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr.	
						(Mo	nth/Day/Year)		V	Amount	_	(A) or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)					4)	
Common Stock	02/03/2	004		J		7-	40(1)	A	\$0	740			D							
Common Stock											345,340		I		As Trustee for my children.					
Common Stock										100,000(2))		I	Franklin Industries Inc.					
Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																				
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. Transac (Instr. 8)	tion Code	Securities .	of Derivative Acquired (A) o f (D) (Instr. 3,			Derivative Security		Amount of Sec ecurity (Instr. 3	ount of Securities Underlyir rity (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivativ Securitie Beneficia Owned Following	re es ally	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisa		opiration ate	Title		Amount or Number of Sh	ares		Reported Transact (Instr. 4)	ction(s)			
Stock Option ⁽³⁾	\$47.16							05/14/20	004 05	5/14/2013	Common Stock		2,000			2,00	00	D		
Stock Option ⁽³⁾	\$47.16							05/14/20	005 05	5/14/2013	2013 Common Stock		2,000			4,000		D		
Stock Option ⁽³⁾	\$47.16							05/14/20	006 05	5/14/2013	Comm	on Stock	2,000			6,00	00	D		
Stock Option ⁽³⁾	\$60.59	02/03/2004		A		700		02/03/20	005 02	2/03/2014	Comm	on Stock	700		\$0	6,70	00	D		
Stock Option ⁽³⁾	\$60.59	02/03/2004		A		700		02/03/20	006 02	2/03/2014	Comm	on Stock	700		\$0	7,40	00	D		
Stock Option ⁽³⁾	\$60.59	02/03/2004		A		700		02/03/20	007 02	2/03/2014	Comm	on Stock	700		\$0	8,10	00	D		

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Restricted stock issued pursuant to the Non-Employee Director Stock Plan approved on May 14, 2003. 2. I am the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Franklin Industries Inc.
- 3. Non-Employee Director stock option granted under the Non-Employee Director Stock Plan approved on May 14, 2003.

H. Rodes Hart by Walter K. Compton
** Signature of Reporting Person

02/04/2004

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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Know all by these presents, that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints each of Steven A. Cosse', Walter K. Compton, Renee' J. Bryant. E. Ted Bt

(1) execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as an officer and/or director of Murphy Oil Corporation (the "Company"), Forms 3,

(2) do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such Form 3, 4 or 5; con

The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite,

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 3, 4 and 5 with respect to the unc

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 27 day of August, 2002.

s/H. Rodes Hart H. Rodes Hart

POWER OF ATTORNEY