Instruction 1(b).

FORM 4

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## **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 Person* FITZGERALD KEVIN G						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  MURPHY OIL CORP /DE [ MUR ]								Check a	II applio Directo	able) r	g Pers	ion(s) to Iss 10% Ov	vner
(Last) (First) (Middle) 200 PEACH STREET P.O. BOX 7000						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/01/2011								Λ	X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)  SVP & Chief Financial Officer				
(Street)  EL DORADO AR 71731-7000  (City) (State) (Zip)					_	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								ine) X					
(City)	(5		,	on-Deri	vativ	e Sec	urit	ies Ac	auire	d. Di	sposed o	f. or Be	neficia	ally O	wned				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transacti Date (Month/Day)					ction	2A. Exe	2A. Deemed Execution Date, f any Month/Day/Year)		3.		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and			5. Amou Securitie Benefici Owned F		nt of s ally ollowing	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Ti	eported ansact nstr. 3 a	ion(s)			Instr. 4)
Common Stock 03/01/20					/2011	)11			М		40,000	A	\$19.42	263	64,	,252		D	
Common Stock 03/01/20					/2011	)11			S		40,000	D	\$73.5	186	24,	252		D	
Common Stock															1,9	955		I (	Trustee Of Company Thrift Plan
		-	Table II								posed of, convertil				ned				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	vative Conversion Date Execution Date, irity or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any			n Date,	Code (Instr				6. Date Expirat (Month	ion Da		7. Title and Amo of Securities Underlying Derivative Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)		Deri Seci		9. Number derivative Securities Beneficia Owned Following Reported Transacti (Instr. 4)	e s Illy	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership tt (Instr. 4)
					Code	le V		(D)	Date Exercis	sable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	ber					
Stock Option	\$19.4263	03/01/2011			M	40,000		02/05/2004		02/05/2012	Common Stock	40,00	0	\$0 0			D		

**Explanation of Responses:** 

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

03/02/2011

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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