

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Ganus Charles A.</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) 200 PEACH STREET P.O. BOX 7000 (Street) EL DORADO AR 71731-7000 (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 08/05/2009	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>MURPHY OIL CORP /DE [MUR]</u>	
		4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director _____ 10% Owner _____ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below) _____ <p style="text-align: center;">Vice President</p>	5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock	74,144	D	
Common Stock	178	I	Trustee of Company Thrift Plan

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date				
Restricted Stock Unit ⁽¹⁾	(2)	(2)	Common Stock	15,000	(2)	D
Stock Option	02/04/2005	02/04/2013	Common Stock	15,000	21.17	D
Stock Option	02/03/2006	02/03/2011	Common Stock	25,000	30.295	D
Stock Option	02/03/2011	02/03/2016	Common Stock	20,000	43.95	D
Stock Option	02/01/2007	02/01/2012	Common Stock	17,000	45.2275	D
Stock Option	02/06/2009	02/06/2014	Common Stock	15,000	51.07	D
Stock Option	01/31/2008	01/31/2013	Common Stock	10,000	57.315	D
Stock Option	02/05/2010	02/05/2015	Common Stock	20,000	72.745	D

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Award granted under the 2007 Long-Term Incentive Plan.
- 2. These Securities generally do not carry a Conversion Price, Exercisable Date, or Expiration Date.

Remarks:

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

08/12/2009

** 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 5 (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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Footnote 1

Includes 31,173 Restricted Stock Units (15,393 Time Restricted Stock Units, 7,890 EBITDA Restricted Stock Units, and 7,890 Free Cash Flow Restricted Stock Units) granted to the reporting person on January 12, 2009 pursuant to the Company's Amended and Restated 2004 Stock Incentive Plan. Pursuant to the Agreement and Plan of Merger between Alpha Natural Resources, Inc. and Foundation Coal Holdings, Inc. dated May 11, 2009 (the "Merger Agreement") which was renamed Alpha Natural Resources, Inc., in connection with the merger "New Alpha." The Compensation Committee accelerated the vesting on July 31, 2009 of 100% of the Time Restricted Stock Units, EBITDA Restricted Stock Units, and Free Cash Flow Restricted Stock Units. The EBITDA Restricted Stock Units and the Free Cash Flow Restricted Stock Units and associated exchange ratio shares will settle on February 28, 2010.

Footnote 2

The reporting person received 6,566 shares pursuant to the 1.084 exchange ratio under the terms of the Merger Agreement; this transaction is exempt pursuant to Rule 16b-3 under the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934.

Footnote 3

Represents [X] shares tendered by reporting person to the Issuer for payment of withholding taxes; this transaction is exempt pursuant to Rule 16b-3 under the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934.

Footnote 4

Each Restricted Stock Unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of the Issuer's common stock.