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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

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Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>COMPTON WALTER K</u>  (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>200 PEACH STREET</u> <u>P.O. BOX 7000</u>  (Street) <u>EL DORADO AR 71731-7000</u>  (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>MURPHY OIL CORP /DE [ MUR ]</u>	5. 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;"><b>Secretary</b></p>
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>02/04/2008</u>	
	4. 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 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	02/04/2008		M		16,000	A	\$8.9219	29,995	D	
Common Stock	02/04/2008		S		16,000	D	\$73.8649	13,995	D	
Common Stock								4,095	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)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Stock Option	\$8.9219	02/04/2008		M			16,000	02/02/2001	02/02/2009	Common Stock	16,000	\$0	0	D	
Restricted Stock Unit <sup>(1)</sup>	\$0 <sup>(2)</sup>	02/05/2008		A		4,000		(2)	(2)	Common Stock	4,000	\$0	7,000	D	
Stock Option	\$72.745	02/05/2008		A		15,000		02/05/2010	02/05/2015	Common Stock	15,000	\$0	15,000	D	

**Explanation of Responses:**

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

**Remarks:**

Walter K. Compton                      02/06/2008  
 \*\* 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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