

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * <u>FITZGERALD KEVIN G</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>200 PEACH STREET</u> <u>P.O. BOX 7000</u> (Street) <u>EL DORADO</u> <u>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) <u>Treasurer</u>
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>08/15/2005</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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	08/15/2005		M		30,000	A	\$14.24	46,128	D	
Common Stock	08/15/2005		S		30,000	D	\$55.76	16,128	D ⁽¹⁾	
Common Stock								1,168	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
Stock Option	\$14.2422	08/15/2005		M			30,000	02/01/2002	02/01/2010	Common Stock	30,000	\$0	0	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. In the past on Table I, Common Stock for Restricted Awards Directly Owned was reported as 1 line item. All other Direct Common Stock was reported as a second line item. Going forward, 1 line item for all Common Stock acquisitions and/or dispositions directly owned will be reported as a combined total as is stated on this current Form.

Remarks:

The increase in the amount following the transaction is due to a stock split occurring on 6/3/2005 and is reflected on this Form.

Kevin G. Fitzgerald

08/16/2005

** 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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