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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>MURPHY OIL CORP / DE</u> [MUR]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
<u>SMITH DAVID J H</u>				X	Director	10% Owner			
(Last) (First) (Middle) P. O. BOX 7000 200 PEACH STREET		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/01/2005		Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)			
			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv Line)	vidual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable				
(Street)				X	Form filed by One Repo	orting Person			
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(City)	(State)	(Zip)							

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

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1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transaction Code (Instr.					5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	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	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(1150.4)		
Common Stock	02/01/2005		A		1,275 ⁽¹⁾	A	\$ <mark>0</mark>	2,015(1)	D			
Common Stock								5,000	D			

 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. Transa Code (8)		of Deriv Secu Acqu (A) o Disp of (D	posed D) str. 3, 4		ate	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 ⁽²⁾	\$47.16							05/14/2004	05/14/2013	Common Stock	2,000		2,000	D	
Stock Option ⁽²⁾	\$47.16							05/14/2005	05/14/2013	Common Stock	2,000		4,000	D	
Stock Option ⁽²⁾	\$47.16							05/14/2006	05/14/2013	Common Stock	2,000		6,000	D	
Stock Option ⁽²⁾	\$60.59							02/03/2005	02/03/2014	Common Stock	700		6,700	D	
Stock Option ⁽²⁾	\$60.59							02/03/2006	02/03/2014	Common Stock	700		7,400	D	
Stock Option ⁽²⁾	\$60.59							02/03/2007	02/03/2014	Common Stock	700		8,100	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. Restricted stock issued pursuant to the Non-Employee Director Stock Plan approved on May 14, 2003.

2. Non-Employee Director stock option granted under the Non-Employee Director Stock Plan approved on May 14, 2003.



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· 02/03/2005

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

 \ast If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

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