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FORM 4

## 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*  MURPHY ROBERT MADISON                                 |              |                |  |          | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  MURPHY OIL CORP /DE [ MUR ] |   |   |                                |                  |        |   |   |  | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Is (Check all applicable)  X Director 10% O  |  |  |   |                                       |  |
| (Last) P. O. BO   | X 7000       | ,              | (Middle)                                   |          |  | Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 2/01/2005   |   |                                |                  |        |   |   |  | Officer (give title Other (s below) below)   |  |  |   | (specify<br>v)                        |  |
| 200 PEACH STREET  |              |                |  |          |  | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)  6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicab Line) |   |                                |                  |        |   |   |  |  |  |  |   |                                       |  |
| (Street) EL DOR   | ADO A        | R              | 71731-7000                                 |          |  |   |   |                                |                  |        |   |   | X Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |  |  |  |   |                                       |  |
| (City)  | (S           | tate)          | (Zip)                                      |          |  |   |   |                                |                  |        |   |   |  |  |  |  |   |                                       |  |
|   |              | Tab            | le I - N                                   | on-Deriv | ative  | Sec   | uriti                                   | es Ad                          | cquire           | d, Di  | isposed   | of, or Be   | enefici  | ally Owne  | d  |  |   |                                       |  |
| Date  |              |                | 2. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) |          | Execution Date,  |   | 3.<br>Transaction<br>Code (Instr.<br>8) |                                |                  |        |   | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported |  | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4)                      |  | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership            |   |                                       |  |
|   |              |                |  |          |  |   |   |                                | Code             | v      | Amount  | (A) or<br>(D)   | Price  | Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4)   |  |  |   | (Instr. 4)                            |  |
| Common  | Stock        |                |  |          |  |   |   |                                |                  |        |   |   |  | 322,0  | 072  | I  | )   |                                       |  |
| Common  | Stock        |                |  |          |  |   |   |                                |                  |        |   |   |  | 95,10  | 7.4 <sup>(1)</sup>                           | ]  | [ ]   | Frustee for<br>ny<br>children.        |  |
| Common  | Stock        |                |  |          |  |   |   |                                |                  |        |   |   |  | 17,11  | LO <sup>(1)</sup>                            | ]  | [ ]   | Others as<br>Frustee for<br>children. |  |
| Common  | Stock        |                |  |          |  |   |   |                                |                  |        |   |   |  | 196,0  | 038  | ]  |   | Limited<br>Partnership                |  |
| Common  | Common Stock |                |  |          |  |   |   |                                |                  |        |   | 723,0   | 723,038  |  |  | Beneficiary<br>of Trusts.                                      |   |                                       |  |
| Common Stock  |              |                |  |          |  |   |   |                                |                  |        | 1,237,  | 540(1)  | 40 <sup>(1)</sup> I  |  | Co-Trustee<br>of Family<br>Trusts.           |  |   |                                       |  |
| Common  | Stock        |                |  |          |  |   |   |                                |                  |        |   |   |  | 33,840(1)  |  |  | [ ]   | Spouse.                               |  |
| Common  | Stock        |                |  |          |  |   |   |                                |                  |        |   |   | 623,7  | 96(2)  |  |  | Murphy<br>Foundation  |                                       |  |
| Common Stock  |              |                |  |          |  |   |   |                                |                  |        |   | 5,12  | 5,125 <sup>(3)</sup>   |  | [ ]  | Trustee for<br>Murphy<br>Thrift Plan                           |   |                                       |  |
| Common Stock 02/01/20   |              |                |  |          |  | 005   |   |                                | A                |        | 1,275(4)  | A   | \$00.0   | 2,015 <sup>(4)</sup>   |  | D  |   |                                       |  |
|   |              | Т              | able II                                    |          |  |   |   |                                |                  |        | posed of<br>converti                                    |   |  | ly Owned   |  |  |   |                                       |  |
| 1. Title of   | 2.           | 3. Transaction | 3A. Dee                                    | med      | 4.   |   | _                                       | ımber                          | 6. Date I        | Exerci | isable and  | 7. Title an   | ıd   | 8. Price of  | 9. Numl                                      |  | 10.   | 11. Nature                            |  |
| Derivative   Conversion   Date   Execution   Security   or Exercise   (Month/Day/Year)   if any |              |                |  |          |  | action of   |   | Expiration Da<br>(Month/Day/Yo |                  |        | Amount of Securities Underlyin Derivative (Instr. 3 and | of<br>s<br>og<br>e Security                                   | Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5)   | derivati<br>Securiti<br>Benefic<br>Owned<br>Followi<br>Reporte<br>Transac<br>(Instr. 4 | ive<br>ies<br>cially<br>ng<br>ed<br>ction(s) | Ownershi<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirec<br>(I) (Instr. 4 | ship of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>(D) Ownership<br>ect (Instr. 4) |                                       |  |
|   |              |                |  |          | Code   | v   | (A)                                     | (D)                            | Date<br>Exercisa | able   | Expiration<br>Date                                      | Title   | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares   |  |  |  |   |                                       |  |
| Stock<br>Option <sup>(5)</sup>  | \$47.16      |                |  |          |  |   |   |                                | 05/14/2          | 004    | 05/14/2013  | Common<br>Stock   | 2,000  |  | 2,0  | 000  | D   |                                       |  |
| Stock   | \$47.16      |                |  |          |  |   |   |                                | 05/14/2          | 005    | 05/14/2013  | Common  | 2,000  |  | 4,0  | 000  | D   |                                       |  |

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Common Stock

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|   | Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) |  |   |        |  |     |     |  |                    |  |  |   |  |  |  |
|---|--|--|---|--------|--|-----|-----|--|--------------------|--|--|---|--|--|--|
| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security  | 3. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date,<br>if any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | Code ( | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) |     |     | 6. Date Exerc<br>Expiration Da<br>(Month/Day/\ | ate                | 7. Title and<br>Amount of<br>Securities<br>Underlying<br>Derivative Security<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) |  | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5) | 9. Number of<br>derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 4) | 10.<br>Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|   |  |  |   | Code   | v  | (A) | (D) | Date<br>Exercisable                            | Expiration<br>Date | Title  | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares |   |  |  |  |
| Stock<br>Option <sup>(5)</sup>                      | \$60.59  |  |   |        |  |     |     | 02/03/2005                                     | 02/03/2014         | Common<br>Stock  | 700                                    |   | 6,700  | D  |  |
| Stock<br>Option <sup>(5)</sup>                      | \$60.59  |  |   |        |  |     |     | 02/03/2006                                     | 02/03/2014         | Common<br>Stock  | 700                                    |   | 7,400  | D  |  |
| Stock<br>Option <sup>(5)</sup>                      | \$60.59  |  |   |        |  |     |     | 02/03/2007                                     | 02/03/2014         | Common<br>Stock  | 700                                    |   | 8,100  | D  |  |

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Beneficial ownership is expressly disclaimed.
- 2. I am President of the Foundation. Beneficial ownership is expressly disclaimed.
- 3. Number of shares owned as of December 31, 2004.
- 4. Restricted stock issued pursuant to the Non-Employee Director Stock Plan approved on May 14, 2003. Reporting person has voting and dividend rights only.
- 5. Non-Employee Director Stock Option issued under Non-Employee Director Stock Plan approved on May 14, 2003.

Robert Madison Murphy by Walter K. Compton

02/03/2005

\*\* 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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