HOWARD JERRY Form 4

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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **HOWARD JERRY**

(First)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

MARATHON OIL CORP [MRO]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

01/30/2006

10% Owner

C/O MARATHON OIL CORPORATION, 5555 SAN **FELIPE ROAD**

X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)

Sr. V.P., Corporate Affairs

(Check all applicable)

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Director

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

HOUSTON, TX 77056

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)

Reported (A) Transaction(s) or

\$0

A

Ownership (Instr. 4)

COMMON

STOCK

01/30/2006

Code V Amount (D)

2,739

 $A^{(1)}$

(Instr. 3 and 4) Price

62,807.774

D

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

(Month/Day/Year)

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

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1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Title	e and	8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	TransactionNumber		Expiration D	ate	Amou	nt of	Derivative	Deriv
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Under	lying	Security	Secui
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 8) Derivative			Securi	ties	(Instr. 5)	Bene
	Derivative				Securities Acquired			(Instr.	3 and 4)		Own
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					of (D)						(Instr
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					4, and 5)						
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					(A) (B)			of	Number		
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				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

HOWARD JERRY C/O MARATHON OIL CORPORATION 5555 SAN FELIPE ROAD HOUSTON, TX 77056

Sr. V.P., Corporate Affairs

Signatures

Richard J. Kolencik, Attorney-in-Fact for Jerry Howard

02/01/2006

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).

These shares were granted under Marathon Oil Corporation's 2003 Incentive Compensation Plan. As a result of previously granted (1) performance shares issued to the reporting person vesting at 133 percent of target in accordance with a pre-established vesting matrix, these shares vested as of the date of grant.

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