

ST MARY LAND & EXPLORATION CO  
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**FORM 4**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 SEIDL JOHN M

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 ST MARY LAND & EXPLORATION CO [SM]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 1776 LINCOLN ST, STE 700  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 10/24/2005

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

DENVER, CO 80203

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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(City) (State) (Zip)

**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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value	10/24/2005		M	4,000	A \$ 6.2188	19,231	D
Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value	10/24/2005		M	4,000	A \$ 8.75	23,231	D
Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value	10/24/2005		M	8,984	A \$ 4.625	32,215	D

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Common Stock; \$0.01 Par Value	10/24/2005	M	8,064	A	\$ 6.1875	40,279	D
Common Stock; \$0.01 Par Value	10/24/2005	S	22,800	D	\$ 32.4	17,479	D
Common Stock; \$0.01 Par Value	10/24/2005	S	100	D	\$ 32.41	17,379	D
Common Stock; \$0.01 Par Value	10/24/2005	S	100	D	\$ 32.43	17,279	D
Common Stock; \$0.01 Par Value	10/24/2005	S	448	D	\$ 32.44	16,831	D
Common Stock; \$0.01 Par Value	10/24/2005	S	1,200	D	\$ 32.45	15,631	D
Common Stock; \$0.01 Par Value	10/24/2005	S	300	D	\$ 32.46	15,331	D
Common Stock; \$0.01 Par Value	10/24/2005	S	100	D	\$ 32.47	15,231	D

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

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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 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	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
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(D)  
(Instr. 3, 4,  
and 5)

				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 6.2188	10/24/2005		M				12/31/1996 <sup>(1)</sup>	12/31/2006	Common Stock	4,000
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 8.75	10/24/2005		M				12/31/1997 <sup>(2)</sup>	12/31/2007	Common Stock	4,000
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 4.625	10/24/2005		M				12/31/1998 <sup>(3)</sup>	12/31/2008	Common Stock	8,984
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 6.1875	10/24/2005		M				12/31/1999 <sup>(4)</sup>	12/31/2009	Common Stock	8,064

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SEIDL JOHN M 1776 LINCOLN ST STE 700 DENVER, CO 80203	X			

## Signatures

Karin M. Writer  
(Attorney-In-Fact) 10/26/2005

\*\*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).
- (1) The option vested in four equal installments on December 31, 1996, 1997, 1998 and 1999.
- (2) The option vested in four equal installments on December 31, 1997, 1998, 1999 and 2000.
- (3) The option vested in four equal installments on December 31, 1998, 1999, 2000 and 2001.
- (4) The option vested in four equal installments on December 31, 1999, 2000, 2001 and 2002.

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