

ST MARY LAND & EXPLORATION CO  
Form 8-K  
January 07, 2009

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

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)  
January 6, 2009 (January 6, 2009)

St. Mary Land & Exploration Company  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

001-31539  
(Commission  
File Number)

41-0518430  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

1776 Lincoln Street, Suite 700, Denver, Colorado  
(Address of principal executive offices)

80203  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (303) 861-8140

Not applicable  
(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2.):

Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 8.01 Other Events.

On January 6, 2009, St. Mary Land & Exploration Company (“St. Mary” or the “Company”) announced that it closed a transaction whereby it received an increased net revenue interest in its operated tight oil assets at Sweetie Peck in West Texas and approximately \$18 million in exchange for the Company’s interests in the Judge Digby Field in Pointe Coupee Parish, Louisiana. The exchange was effective as of December 31, 2008. The production impact from this exchange is anticipated to be a net reduction of approximately 2.0 BCFE for 2009. A copy of this press release is filed as Exhibit 99.1 to this report.

This report contains forward looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. The words “will,” “believe,” “budget,” “anticipate,” “plan,” “intend,” “estimate,” “forecast,” and “expect” and similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements. These statements involve known and unknown risks, which may cause St. Mary’s actual results to differ materially from results expressed or implied by the forward looking statements. These risks include such factors as the pending nature of the reported acquisition agreement as well as the ability to complete the transaction, the uncertain nature of the expected benefits from the acquisition of oil and gas properties, and the ability to successfully integrate acquisitions, the imprecise nature of oil and gas reserve estimates, and other such matters discussed in the “Risk Factors” section of St. Mary’s 2007 Annual Report on Form 10-K/A and subsequent Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q filed with the SEC. Although St. Mary may from time to time voluntarily update its prior forward looking statements, it disclaims any commitment to do so except as required by securities laws.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits. The following exhibit is filed as part of this report:

Exhibit Press release of St. Mary Land & Exploration  
99.1 Company dated January 6, 2009.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

ST. MARY LAND & EXPLORATION COMPANY

Date: January 6, 2009

By: /s/ A. WADE PURSELL  
A. Wade Pursell  
Executive Vice President  
and Chief Financial  
Officer