MARINER ENERGY INC

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading CRAIN ALAN R JR Issuer Symbol MARINER ENERGY INC [ME] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) X_ Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title 3620 DEL MONTE DRIVE 04/30/2008 below) (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting HOUSTON, TX 77019 Person

(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
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1.Title of Security	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if	3. Transactio	4. Securities on Acquired (A) or		5. Amount of Securities	6. Ownership Form: Direct	7. Nature of Indirect
(Instr. 3)	• •	any	Code	Disposed of (I	O)	Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3, 4 and	15)	Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership
						Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
				(A)		Reported		
				or		Transaction(s)		
			Code V	Amount (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	04/30/2008		A	5,308 A	<u>(1)</u>	18,130	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)

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1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	isable and	7. Title and	8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	onNumber	Expiration Da	ate	Amount of	Derivative	Deriv
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Underlying	Security	Secui
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	e		Securities	(Instr. 5)	Bene
	Derivative				Securities			(Instr. 3 and 4)		Owne
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					(A) or					Repo
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					of (D)					(Instr
					(Instr. 3,					
					4, and 5)					
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date	Expiration	Title Amount		
					()	Exercisable	Date	or		
								Number		
								of		
								Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
1	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
CRAIN ALAN R JR							
3620 DEL MONTE DRIVE	X						
HOUSTON TX 77019							

Signatures

Alan R. Crain, Jr. by Teresa G. Bushman pursuant to Power of Attorney dated April 1, 2006 (previously filed as Exhibit 24 to Mr. Crain's Form 3 filed on April 4, 2006).

05/02/2008

**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).
- Shares of restricted stock granted on April 30, 2008 under the issuer's Second Amended and Restated Stock Incentive Plan. The shares vest one-third on each of the next three regularly-scheduled annual meetings of the issuer's stockholders following the date of grant. The number of shares granted was determined by reference to the closing price per share of the issuer's common stock on the New York Stock Exchange on April 29, 2008 of \$28.26.

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