MARATHON OIL CORP

Form 4

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

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person MATHENY KENNETH L	* 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MARATHON OIL CORP [MRO]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)
(Last) (First) (Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)
C/O MARATHON OIL CORPORATION, 5555 SAN FELIPE ROAD	(Month/Day/Year) 08/17/2006	Director 10% OwnerX_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) V.PInvestor Rel./Public Aff.
(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
HOUSTON, TX 77056	Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
(City) (State) (Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Ac	quired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owne

(City)	(State) (Z	ip) Table	I - Non-De	rivative Se	ecuriti	es Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y 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 ior(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	
COMMON STOCK	08/17/2006		M	20,310	A	\$ 32.52	45,522	D	
COMMON STOCK	08/17/2006		D	13,752	D	\$ 91.82 (1)	31,770	D	
COMMON STOCK	08/17/2006		S	600	D	\$ 86.66	31,170	D	
COMMON STOCK	08/17/2006		S	100	D	\$ 86.62	31,070	D	
	08/17/2006		S	1,300	D		29,770	D	

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COMMON STOCK					\$ 86.61	
COMMON STOCK	08/17/2006	S	3,300	D	\$ 86.58 26,470	D
COMMON STOCK	08/17/2006	S	3,000	D	\$ 86.52 23,470	D
COMMON STOCK	08/18/2006	S	6,558	D	\$ 86.46 16,912	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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	onDer Sec Acq or D (D)	urities juired (A) Disposed of tr. 3, 4,	6. Date Exercis Expiration Dat (Month/Day/Y	e	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and A
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION (Right to Buy)	\$ 32.52	08/17/2006		M(2)		20,310	05/29/2002	05/29/2011	COMMOI STOCK
STOCK APPRECIATION RIGHT	\$ 32.52	08/17/2006		M(2)		20,310 (1)	05/29/2002	05/29/2011	COMMOI STOCK

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		

MATHENY KENNETH L C/O MARATHON OIL CORPORATION 5555 SAN FELIPE ROAD HOUSTON, TX 77056

V.P.-Investor Rel./Public Aff.

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By: R. J. Kolencik, Attorney-in-Fact for Kenneth L.

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**Signature of Reporting Person

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).
- Under the terms of the Stock Appreciation Right, the Stock Appreciation Right price is the highest fair market value of Marathon Oil
- (1) Corporation common stock during the ten day trading period commencing August 4, 2006. The highest fair market value during such ten day trading period was \$91.82.
- (2) Exercise of tandem SAR and cancellation of underlying stock option.

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