#### MOLOHON RICHARD A

Form 4 March 25, 2008

### FORM 4

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

Washington, D.C. 20549

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obligations may continue.

See Instruction 1(b).

(Last)

(City)

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* MOLOHON RICHARD A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Issuer

MARINER ENERGY INC [ME]

(Check all applicable) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

ONE BRIARLAKE PLAZA, SUITE

(First)

(Middle)

(Zip)

2000, 2000 WEST SAM HOUSTON

(Street)

(State)

(Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner X\_ Officer (give title 03/24/2008

below)

Other (specify below)

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4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

VP-Reservoir Engineering

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

HOUSTON, TX 77042

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 1. Title of 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Ownership (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Indirect (I) Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Price Amount (D) Common

Stock

03/24/2008 D A 12,997 Α <u>(1)</u> 49,095

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<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transactic<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | Expiration Dat<br>(Month/Day/Y | Date Exercisable and Apiration Date Month/Day/Year) |                 | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) |  |
|---|---|---|---|--|---|--------------------------------|---|-----------------|---|--|
|   |   |   |   | Code V                                 | (A) (D)   | Date<br>Exercisable            | Expiration<br>Date                                  | Title           | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares                        |  |
| Employee<br>Stock<br>Option<br>(right to<br>buy)    | \$ 14   |   |   |  |   | 03/02/2006                     | 03/11/2015  | Common<br>Stock | 8,000   |  |

### **Reporting Owners**

| Reporting Owner Name / Address      | Relationships |           |              |       |  |  |
|-------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|--------------|-------|--|--|
| <b></b>                             | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer      | Other |  |  |
| MOLOHON RICHARD A                   |               |           |              |       |  |  |
| ONE BRIARLAKE PLAZA, SUITE 2000     |               |           | VP-Reservoir |       |  |  |
| 2000 WEST SAM HOUSTON PARKWAY SOUTH |               |           | Engineering  |       |  |  |
| HOUSTON, TX 77042                   |               |           |              |       |  |  |

## **Signatures**

Richard A. Molohon by Teresa G. Bushman pursuant to Power of Attorney dated May 9, 2006 (previously filed as Exhibit 24 to Mr. Molohon's Form 3/A filed on May 23, 2006)

03/25/2008

8. F Der Sec (Ins

\*\*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 March 24, 2008 under the issuer's Stock Incentive Plan, as amended or restated from time to time.

(1) The shares vest 25% on each of the first four anniversaries of 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 March 24, 2008 of \$26.93.

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