#### **DEMING CLAIBORNE P**

Form 4

December 16, 2010

## FORM 4

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

**OMB** 

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Issuer

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

MURPHY OIL CORP /DE [MUR]

Symbol

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

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|                            |                         |                       |            |                                 |       |              |   |  | (CI                                     | icek an applied  | 1010)         |  |
|----------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|------------|---------------------------------|-------|--------------|---|--|---|------------------|---------------|--|
| (Last)                     | (Last) (First) (Middle) |                       |            | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction |       |              |   |  |   |                  |               |  |
|                            |                         |                       | (Month/I   | (Month/Day/Year)                |       |              |   |  |   |                  | 0% Owner      |  |
| 200 PEACH STREET, P.O. BOX |                         | 12/16/2               | 010        |                                 |       |              |   | Officer (g                                   |   | Other (specify   |               |  |
| 7000                       |                         |                       | 12/10/2    | 12/10/2010                      |       |              |   |  | below)                                  | below)           |               |  |
|                            | (Street)                |                       | 4. If Ame  | endmen                          | t, Da | ate Original | 1   |  | 6. Individual or                        | r Joint/Group F  | iling(Check   |  |
|                            | Filed(Mo                | Filed(Month/Day/Year) |            |                                 |       |              | Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person |  |   |                  |               |  |
| EL DORADO, AR 71731-7000   |                         |                       |            |                                 |       |              |   | Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |   |                  |               |  |
| (City)                     | (State)                 | (Zip)                 | Tab        | le I - No                       | on-D  | Derivative : | Secur   | ities Ac                                     | quired, Disposed                        | l of, or Benefic | cially Owned  |  |
| 1.Title of                 | 2. Transaction Dat      | e 2A. Deei            | ned        | 3.                              |       | 4. Securit   | ies Ac  | quired                                       | 5. Amount of                            | 6.               | 7. Nature of  |  |
| Security                   | (Month/Day/Year)        | Executio              | n Date, if | Transa                          | actio | n(A) or Di   | sposed  | lof  | Securities                              | Ownership        | Indirect      |  |
| (Instr. 3)                 |                         | any                   | Code       |                                 |       | (D)          |   |  | Beneficially                            | Form: Direct     |               |  |
|                            |                         | (Month/I              | Day/Year)  | (Instr.                         | 8)    | (Instr. 3,   | 4 and 3   | 5)   | Owned                                   | (D) or           | Ownership     |  |
|                            |                         |                       |            |                                 |       |              |   |  | Following                               | Indirect (I)     | (Instr. 4)    |  |
|                            |                         |                       |            |                                 |       |              | (A)   |  | Reported<br>Transaction(s)              | (Instr. 4)       |               |  |
|                            |                         |                       |            |                                 |       |              | or  |  | (Instr. 3 and 4)                        |                  |               |  |
| ~                          |                         |                       |            | Code                            | V     | Amount       | (D)   | Price  | (====================================== |                  |               |  |
| Common                     | 12/16/2010              |                       |            | G                               | V     | 15,385       | D   | \$0  | 650,495                                 | D                |               |  |
| Stock                      | 12/10/2010              |                       |            | J                               | ·     | 10,000       |   | ΨΟ   | 020,172                                 | 2                |               |  |
| Common                     |                         |                       |            |                                 |       |              |   |  |   |                  | Beneficiary   |  |
| Stock                      |                         |                       |            |                                 |       |              |   |  | 1,529,536                               | I                | Of Trusts     |  |
| Stock                      |                         |                       |            |                                 |       |              |   |  |   |                  | OI IIusts     |  |
| Common                     |                         |                       |            |                                 |       |              |   |  | 43,888                                  | I                | By Spouse     |  |
| Stock                      |                         |                       |            |                                 |       |              |   |  | 43,000                                  | 1                | by Spouse     |  |
|                            |                         |                       |            |                                 |       |              |   |  |   |                  | Family        |  |
| Common                     |                         |                       |            |                                 |       |              |   |  | 81,115.2                                | I                | Limited       |  |
| Stock                      |                         |                       |            |                                 |       |              |   |  | 01,113.2                                | 1                | Partnership   |  |
|                            |                         |                       |            |                                 |       |              |   |  |   |                  | rarmership    |  |
| Common                     |                         |                       |            |                                 |       |              |   |  | 50.703                                  | I                | Indirectly By |  |
| Stock                      |                         |                       |            |                                 |       |              |   |  | 50,793                                  | 1                | Daughter      |  |
|                            |                         |                       |            |                                 |       |              |   |  |   |                  |               |  |

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| Common<br>Stock | 287,222 | I | Self, Trustee<br>For My<br>Children |
|-----------------|---------|---|-------------------------------------|
| Common<br>Stock | 56,909  | I | Trustee,<br>Company<br>Thrift Plan  |

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<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transac<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8 | 5. stiorNumber of S Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 3                   | ate                | 7. Titl<br>Amou<br>Under<br>Securi<br>(Instr. | nt of<br>lying                         | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5) |  |
|---|---|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------|--|---------------------|--------------------|---|--|---|--|
|   |   |                                      | Code                               | V (A) (D)  | Date<br>Exercisable | Expiration<br>Date | Title   | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares |   |  |

# **Reporting Owners**

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |         |       |  |  |  |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|--|--|
| r   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |  |  |  |
| DEMING CLAIBORNE P<br>200 PEACH STREET<br>P.O. BOX 7000<br>EL DORADO, AR 71731-7000 | X             |           |         |       |  |  |  |
| Signatures  |               |           |         |       |  |  |  |

/s/ Walter K. Compton, Attorney-in-Fact

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

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Date

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