MARINER ENERGY INC

Form 4 March 13, 2008

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Section 16.

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subject to

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549 Check this box

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * HANSEN JUDD A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

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MARINER ENERGY INC [ME]

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ONE BRIARLAKE PLAZA, SUITE

(Middle)

(Month/Day/Year) 03/11/2008

Director 10% Owner _X__ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

2000, 2000 WEST SAM HOUSTON PARKWAY SOUTH

(Street)

(First)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Sr. VP-Shelf & Onshore

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

HOUSTON, TX 77042

| (City) | (State) | (Zip) Tabl | e I - Non-E | Derivative | Secur | ities Acq | uired, Disposed o | f, or Beneficial | ly Owned |
|--------------------------------------|---|------------|---|--|-----------|-------------|--|--|----------|
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired ion(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | |
| | | | Code V | Amount | or (D) | Price | (Instr. 3 and 4) | | |
| Common Stock | 03/11/2008 | | S | 7,155 | D | \$ 27.5 | 135,845 | D | |
| Common Stock | 03/11/2008 | | S | 2,327 | D | \$ 27.51 | 133,518 | D | |
| Common Stock | 03/11/2008 | | S | | | \$ 27.52 | | D | |
| Common Stock | 03/11/2008 | | S | 1,267 | D | \$ 27.53 | 131,541 | D | |
| Common Stock | 03/11/2008 | | S | 2,774 | D | \$ 27.54 | 128,767 | D | |

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Common \$ 128,570 03/11/2008 S D Stock

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 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 5. 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and Amount of 8. I Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionNumber **Expiration Date** Underlying Securities (Month/Day/Year) Security or Exercise (Instr. 3 and 4) Code of (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3) Price of Derivative (Instr. 8) Derivative Securities Security Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) Amount Date Expiration or Title Exercisable Date Number Code V (A) (D) of Shares

Employee Stock

buy)

Option (right to

\$ 14

03/11/2008 03/11/2015

Common 48,000 Stock

Sec

(In

(9-02)

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> 10% Owner Officer Other

HANSEN JUDD A ONE BRIARLAKE PLAZA, SUITE 2000 2000 WEST SAM HOUSTON PARKWAY SOUTH HOUSTON, TX 77042

Sr. VP-Shelf & Onshore

Signatures

Judd A. Hansen by Teresa G. Bushman pursuant to Power of Attorney dated March 1, 2006 (previously filed as Exhibit 24 to Mr. Hansen's Form 4 filed on May 31, 2006)

03/13/2008

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
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