

EVOLUTION PETROLEUM CORP  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

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

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 McDonald Sterling

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 EVOLUTION PETROLEUM CORP  
 [EPM]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)  
 \_\_\_ Director \_\_\_ 10% Owner  
X Officer (give title below) \_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 Chief Financial Officer

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 2500 CITY WEST BLVD, SUITE 1300  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 08/19/2008

HOUSTON, TX 77042

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check 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 Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially 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 (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
				Code V	Amount		
Common Stock	08/19/2008		A	5,000	A	\$ 0 <u>(1)</u>	823,750 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 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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares
				Code V (A) (D)		Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title	
Stock Option (right to purchase)	\$ 4.02	08/19/2008		A	67,140	(2) 08/19/2015	Common Stock	67,140

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
McDonald Sterling 2500 CITY WEST BLVD SUITE 1300 HOUSTON, TX 77042			Chief Financial Officer	

## Signatures

/s/ Sterling  
McDonald 12/11/2008

\_\_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).
- (1) Shares were issued pursuant to Company's Amended and Restated Stock Incentive Plan in lieu of payment of portion of cash bonus.  
On August 19, 2008, the reporting person was granted an option to purchase 67,140 shares of Common Stock. The exercise price of the Common Stock covered by the Option is \$4.02 per share, which is the closing market price of the Company's Common Stock on the Date the grant was approved by the Compensation Committee of the board of directors. The Option vests over a four-year period from the Date of the Grant and vests pro ratably by quarter.
- (2)

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