

MARATHON OIL CORP  
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**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

**Washington, D.C. 20549**

**SCHEDULE 14A**

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**Marathon Oil Corporation**

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**Meeting Information**

**MARATHON OIL CORPORATION**

**Meeting Type:** 2010 Annual Meeting of Stockholders

**For holders as of:** March 1, 2010

**Date:** April 28, 2010 **Time:** 10:00 a.m. CDT

**Location:** CONFERENCE CENTER AUDITORIUM

MARATHON OIL TOWER

5555 SAN FELIPE ROAD

HOUSTON, TX 77056

*C/O SHAREHOLDER SERVICES*

*P.O. BOX 4813*

*HOUSTON, TX 77210-4813*

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## Before You Vote

### How to Access the Proxy Materials

#### Proxy Materials Available to VIEW or RECEIVE:

2010 Notice of Annual Meeting of Stockholders and Proxy Statement

2009 Annual Report

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## How To Vote

### Please Choose One of the Following Voting Methods

**Vote In Person:** If you are a holder of record of Marathon common stock, you may vote in person at the meeting. We will provide you a ballot when you arrive.

**Vote By Internet:** To vote now by Internet, go to [www.proxyvote.com](http://www.proxyvote.com). Have the 12-Digit Control Number available and follow the instructions. If you are a registered holder use the internet to transmit your voting instructions and for electronic delivery of information up until 11:59 p.m. EDT the day before the meeting. If you hold these shares in the Marathon Oil Company Thrift Plan use the internet to transmit your voting instructions and for electronic delivery of information by 11:59 p.m. EDT on April 25, 2010.

**Vote By Mail:** You can vote by mail by requesting a paper copy of the materials, which will include a proxy card.

**Voting Items**

**Your Board of Directors recommends you vote  
FOR Items 1(a) through 1(l).**

1. Election of directors for a one-year term expiring in 2011

**NOMINEES:**

1(a). Gregory H. Boyce

**Your Board of Directors  
recommends you vote  
FOR Item 2**

1(b). Clarence P. Cazalot, Jr.

2. Ratification of the appointment of

PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as our independent

1(c). David A. Daberko

auditor for 2010

1(d). William L. Davis

**Your Board of Directors  
recommends you vote**

**AGAINST Item 3**

1(e). Shirley Ann Jackson

3. Stockholder Proposal to amend our By-laws to

1(f). Philip Lader

lower the threshold for stockholders to call

1(g). Charles R. Lee

special meetings

1(h). Michael E. J. Phelps

**Your Board of Directors recommends  
you vote**

**AGAINST Item 4**

1(i). Dennis H. Reilley

4. Stockholder Proposal to adopt a policy for

1(j). Seth E. Schofield

ratification and approval of executive

1(k). John W. Snow

compensation policies and practices

1(l). Thomas J. Usher



