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REPORTING OWNER

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ISSUER

Midstates Petroleum Company, Inc.

CIK: **1533924** | IRS No.: **453691816** | State of Incorporation: **DE** | Fiscal Year End: **1231**
SIC: **1311** Crude petroleum & natural gas

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>Knudson Thomas C</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) 4400 POST OAK PARKWAY, SUITE 1900 (Street) HOUSTON, TX 77027 (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 05/16/2013	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>Midstates Petroleum Company, Inc. [MPO]</u>	
		4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below)	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)
		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check applicable line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form Filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form Filed by More than One Reporting Person	

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock	1,000	D	

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares			

Signatures

/s/ Thomas C. Knudson by Eric J. Christ, as Attorney-in-Fact

** Signature of Reporting Person

05/16/2013

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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

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POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR EXECUTING
FORM ID, FORMS 3, FORMS 4 AND FORMS 5, FORM 144
AND SCHEDULE 13D AND 13G

The undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints each of Eric J. Christ and John P. Foley of Midstates Petroleum Company, Inc., with full power of substitution, as the undersigned's true and lawful attorney-in-fact to:

(1) Execute for and on behalf of the undersigned a Form ID (including amendments thereto), or any other forms prescribed by the Securities and Exchange Commission, that may be necessary to obtain codes and passwords enabling the undersigned to make electronic filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission of the forms referenced in clause (2) below;

(2) Execute for and on behalf of the undersigned (a) any Form 3, Form 4 and Form 5 (including amendments thereto) in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), (b) Form 144 and (c) Schedule 13D and Schedule 13G (including amendments thereto) in accordance with Sections 13(d) and 13(g) of the Exchange Act, but only to the extent each form or schedule relates to the undersigned's beneficial ownership of securities of Midstates Petroleum Company, Inc. or any of its subsidiaries;

(3) Do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned that may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any Form ID, Form 3, Form 4, Form 5, Form 144, Schedule 13D or Schedule 13G (including amendments thereto) and timely file the forms or schedules with the Securities and Exchange Commission and any stock exchange or quotation system, self-regulatory association or any other authority, and provide a copy as required by law or advisable to such persons as the attorney-in-fact deems appropriate; and

(4) Take any other action in connection with the foregoing that, in the opinion of the attorney-in-fact, may be of benefit to, in the best interest of or legally required of the undersigned, it being understood that the documents executed by the attorney-in-fact on behalf of the undersigned pursuant to this Power of Attorney shall be in the form and shall contain the terms and conditions as the attorney-in-fact may approve in the attorney-in-fact's discretion.

The undersigned hereby grants to the attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform all and every act requisite, necessary or proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that the attorney-in-fact shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this Power of Attorney and the rights and powers granted herein. The undersigned acknowledges that the attorneys-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, are not assuming (nor is Midstates Petroleum Company, Inc. assuming) any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Exchange Act.

The undersigned agrees that the attorney-in-fact may rely entirely on information furnished orally or in writing by or at the direction of the undersigned to the attorney-in-fact. The undersigned also agrees to indemnify and hold harmless Midstates Petroleum Company, Inc. and the attorney-in-fact against any losses, claims, damages or liabilities (or actions in these respects) that arise out of or are based upon any untrue statements or omissions of necessary facts in the information provided by or at the direction of the undersigned, or upon the lack of timeliness in the delivery of information by or at the direction of the undersigned, to the attorney-in fact for purposes of executing, acknowledging, delivering or filing a Form ID, Form 3, Form 4, Form 5, Form 144, Schedule 13D or Schedule 13G (including amendments thereto) and agrees to reimburse Midstates Petroleum Company, Inc. and the attorney-in-fact on demand for any legal or other expenses reasonably incurred in connection with investigating or defending against any such loss, claim, damage, liability or action.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Form ID, Form 3, Form 4, Form 5, Form 144, Schedule 13D and Schedule 13G (including amendments thereto) with respect to the undersigned's holdings of and transactions in securities issued by Midstates Petroleum Company, Inc., unless earlier revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the attorney-in-fact. This Power of Attorney does not revoke any other power of attorney that the undersigned has previously granted.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of the date written below.

/s/ Thomas C. Knudson
Thomas C. Knudson

May 14, 2013
Date