#### NOBLE ENERGY INC

Form 4

August 10, 2006

# FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

**OMB** Number:

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

January 31, 2005

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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

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

NOBLE ENERGY INC [NBL]

Symbol

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

**EDELMAN THOMAS J** 

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

|   |                                      |                 | NOBLE ENERGY INC [NBL]                                      |  |   |        |             | (Check all applicable)   |   |   |  |  |
|---|--------------------------------------|-----------------|---|--|---|--------|-------------|--|---|---|--|--|
| (Last) (First) (Middle)  100 GLENBOROUGH DRIVE, SUITE 100 |                                      |                 | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/09/2006 |  |   |        |             | Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)  |   |   |  |  |
|   |                                      |                 |   | 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 |   |  |  |
|   |                                      | (Tr. )          |   |  |   |        |             | Person   |   |   |  |  |
| (City)  | (State)                              | (Zip)           | Tabl  | le I - Non-E   | <b>Derivative</b>                       | Securi | ities Acqu  | iired, Disposed of   | f, or Beneficial  | ly Owned  |  |  |
| 1.Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)                      | 2. Transaction Da<br>(Month/Day/Year | ) Execution any | med<br>on Date, if<br>Day/Year)                             | 3.<br>Transactic<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8)               | 4. Securit<br>or(A) or Di<br>(Instr. 3, | sposed | of (D)      | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)  | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |  |  |
| Energy,<br>Inc.,<br>Common<br>Stock                       | 08/09/2006                           |                 |   | S  | 5,000                                   | D      | \$<br>50.25 | 1,620,000  | I   | Deferred<br>Comp.<br>Plan   |  |  |
| Noble<br>Energy,<br>Inc.,<br>Common<br>Stock              | 08/09/2006                           |                 |   | S  | 5,800                                   | D      | \$ 50.4     | 1,614,200  | I   | Deferred<br>Comp.<br>Plan   |  |  |
| Noble<br>Energy,  | 08/09/2006                           |                 |   | S  | 1,050                                   | D      | \$<br>50.41 | 1,613,150  | I   | Deferred Comp.  |  |  |

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| Inc.,<br>Common<br>Stock                     |            |   |       |   |             |           |   | Plan                      |
|--|------------|---|-------|---|-------------|-----------|---|---------------------------|
| Noble<br>Energy,<br>Inc.,<br>Common<br>Stock | 08/09/2006 | S | 2,800 | D | \$<br>50.43 | 1,610,350 | I | Deferred<br>Comp.<br>Plan |
| Noble<br>Energy,<br>Inc.,<br>Common<br>Stock | 08/09/2006 | S | 1,100 | D | \$<br>50.44 | 1,609,250 | I | Deferred<br>Comp.<br>Plan |
| Noble<br>Energy,<br>Inc.,<br>Common<br>Stock | 08/09/2006 | S | 6,100 | D | \$<br>50.45 | 1,603,150 | I | Deferred<br>Comp.<br>Plan |
| Noble<br>Energy,<br>Inc.,<br>Common<br>Stock | 08/09/2006 | S | 100   | D | \$<br>50.46 | 1,603,050 | I | Deferred<br>Comp.<br>Plan |
| Noble<br>Energy,<br>Inc.,<br>Common<br>Stock | 08/09/2006 | S | 250   | D | \$<br>50.47 | 1,602,800 | I | Deferred<br>Comp.<br>Plan |
| Noble<br>Energy,<br>Inc.,<br>Common<br>Stock | 08/09/2006 | S | 2,800 | D | \$<br>50.49 | 1,600,000 | I | Deferred<br>Comp.<br>Plan |
| Noble<br>Energy,<br>Inc.,<br>Common<br>Stock | 08/09/2006 | S | 7,300 | D | \$<br>50.82 | 1,592,700 | I | Deferred<br>Comp.<br>Plan |
| Noble<br>Energy,<br>Inc.,<br>Common<br>Stock | 08/09/2006 | S | 2,600 | D | \$<br>50.83 | 1,590,100 | I | Deferred<br>Comp.<br>Plan |
| Noble<br>Energy,<br>Inc.,                    | 08/09/2006 | S | 5,000 | D | \$<br>50.84 | 1,585,100 | I | Deferred<br>Comp.<br>Plan |

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| Common<br>Stock                              |            |   |        |   |             |           |   |                           |
|--|------------|---|--------|---|-------------|-----------|---|---------------------------|
| Noble<br>Energy,<br>Inc.,<br>Common<br>Stock | 08/09/2006 | S | 900    | D | \$<br>50.85 | 1,584,200 | I | Deferred<br>Comp.<br>Plan |
| Noble<br>Energy,<br>Inc.,<br>Common<br>Stock | 08/09/2006 | S | 2,300  | D | \$ 50.9     | 1,581,900 | I | Deferred<br>Comp.<br>Plan |
| Noble<br>Energy,<br>Inc.,<br>Common<br>Stock | 08/09/2006 | S | 400    | D | \$<br>50.92 | 1,581,500 | I | Deferred<br>Comp.<br>Plan |
| Noble<br>Energy,<br>Inc.,<br>Common<br>Stock | 08/09/2006 | S | 5,000  | D | \$<br>50.88 | 1,576,500 | I | Deferred<br>Comp.<br>Plan |
| Noble<br>Energy,<br>Inc.,<br>Common<br>Stock | 08/09/2006 | S | 1,500  | D | \$<br>50.89 | 1,575,000 | I | Deferred<br>Comp.<br>Plan |
| Noble<br>Energy,<br>Inc.,<br>Common<br>Stock | 08/09/2006 | S | 5,000  | D | \$<br>50.95 | 1,570,000 | I | Deferred<br>Comp.<br>Plan |
| Noble<br>Energy,<br>Inc.,<br>Common<br>Stock | 08/09/2006 | S | 800    | D | \$<br>50.99 | 1,569,200 | I | Deferred<br>Comp.<br>Plan |
| Noble<br>Energy,<br>Inc.,<br>Common<br>Stock | 08/09/2006 | S | 12,312 | D | \$ 51       | 1,556,888 | I | Deferred<br>Comp.<br>Plan |
| Noble<br>Energy,<br>Inc.,<br>Common          | 08/09/2006 | S | 5,500  | D | \$<br>51.01 | 1,551,388 | I | Deferred<br>Comp.<br>Plan |

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Inc., 08/09/2006 S 1,388 D \$ 1,550,000 I Comp.
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| 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<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transactic<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) |                     | ate                | Secur | int of<br>rlying       | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5) |  |
|---|---|---|---|--|---|---------------------|--------------------|-------|------------------------|---|--|
|   |   |   |   |  |   | Date<br>Exercisable | Expiration<br>Date | Title | Amount<br>or<br>Number |   |  |

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Date

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Code V (A) (D)

EDELMAN THOMAS J 100 GLENBOROUGH DRIVE, SUITE 100 HOUSTON, TX 77067

**Signatures** 

Thomas J. 08/10/2006 Edelman

\*\*Signature of Reporting Date

Person

Arnold J. 08/10/2006

Johnson, POA

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

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Chris Tong, POA 08/10/2006

\*\*Signature of Reporting Date
Person

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