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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

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obligations may continue.

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

SECURITIES Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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

See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

Robison An	•	Symbol NOBLE ENERGY INC [NBL]				Issuer (Check all applicable)				
(Last) 100 GLENI SUITE 100	(Month	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/12/2012				Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below) VP Human Resources				
HOUSTON	(Street)		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)										
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) Noble Energy, Inc. Common Stock Noble	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securion(A) or D (Instr. 3,	(A)	ed of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		
Energy, Inc. Common Stock	12/12/2012		M	2,992	A	\$ 45.94	23,611	D		
Noble Energy,	12/12/2012		S	2,992	D	\$ 102	20,619	D		

Inc.

Common 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 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) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exerci Expiration Da (Month/Day/Y	te	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option Grant (right to buy)	\$ 45.94	12/12/2012		M	2,992	02/01/2007	02/01/2016	Noble Energy, Inc. Common Stock	2,992

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Robison Andrea Lee 100 GLENBOROUGH DRIVE, SUITE 100 HOUSTON, TX 77067

VP Human Resources

Relationships

Signatures

Arnold J. Johnson, Attorney-in-Fact

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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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).

Remarks:

Transaction pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan.

Column 5 of Table I includes 8,736 restricted shares of Noble Energy, Inc. Common Stock directly held by the reporting person Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.