

SWIFT ENERGY CO  
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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 \*  
SWIFT A EARL

(Last) (First) (Middle)

16825 NORTHCHASE DRIVE,  
SUITE 400

(Street)

HOUSTON, TX 77060

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
SWIFT ENERGY CO [SFY]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
12/21/2004

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V   | Amount (A) or (D) Price   |  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    | 12/21/2004                           | 12/21/2004   | S                              |   | 300 D \$ 29.69  |  | D                                 |
| Common Stock                    | 12/21/2004                           | 12/21/2004   | S                              |   | 400 D \$ 29.7   |  | D                                 |
| Common Stock                    | 12/21/2004                           | 12/21/2004   | S                              |   | 100 D \$ 29.71  |  | D                                 |
| Common Stock                    | 12/21/2004                           | 12/21/2004   | S                              |   | 300 D \$ 29.73  |  | D                                 |
| Common Stock                    | 12/21/2004                           | 12/21/2004   | S                              |   | 100 D \$ 29.74  |  | D                                 |

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|--------------|------------|------------|---|-----|---|----------|---------|---|------------------|
| Common Stock | 12/21/2004 | 12/21/2004 | S | 300 | D | \$ 29.75 | 153,349 | D |                  |
| Common Stock | 12/21/2004 | 12/21/2004 | S | 400 | D | \$ 29.76 | 152,949 | D |                  |
| Common Stock | 12/21/2004 | 12/21/2004 | S | 200 | D | \$ 29.77 | 152,749 | D |                  |
| Common Stock | 12/21/2004 | 12/21/2004 | S | 700 | D | \$ 29.78 | 152,049 | D |                  |
| Common Stock | 12/21/2004 | 12/21/2004 | S | 500 | D | \$ 29.79 | 151,549 | D |                  |
| Common Stock | 12/21/2004 | 12/21/2004 | S | 700 | D | \$ 29.8  | 150,849 | D |                  |
| Common Stock | 12/21/2004 | 12/21/2004 | S | 200 | D | \$ 29.81 | 150,649 | D |                  |
| Common Stock | 12/21/2004 | 12/21/2004 | S | 400 | D | \$ 29.83 | 150,249 | D |                  |
| Common Stock | 12/21/2004 | 12/21/2004 | S | 100 | D | \$ 29.85 | 150,149 | D |                  |
| Common Stock | 12/21/2004 | 12/21/2004 | S | 100 | D | \$ 29.9  | 150,049 | D |                  |
| Common Stock | 12/21/2004 | 12/21/2004 | S | 200 | D | \$ 29.91 | 149,849 | D |                  |
| Common Stock |            |            |   |     |   |          | 8,267   | I | 401(k)           |
| Common Stock |            |            |   |     |   |          | 958     | I | ESOP             |
| Common Stock |            |            |   |     |   |          | 944     | I | by Family Member |

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) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Nu |
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