NOBLE ENERGY INC

Form 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Elliott J. Keith Issuer Symbol NOBLE ENERGY INC [NBL] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner Other (specify _X__ Officer (give title 1001 NOBLE ENERGY WAY 01/30/2017 below) Sr. VP Eastern Mediterranean (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting HOUSTON, TX 77070 Person

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly 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 on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Noble Energy, Inc. Common Stock	01/30/2017		F	747 (1)	D	\$ 39.52	67,967	D	
Noble Energy, Inc. Common Stock	01/31/2017		D	4,934 (<u>2)</u>	D	\$ 0	63,033	D	
Noble Energy,	01/31/2017		F	832 (3)	D	\$ 39.76	62,201	D	

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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. Transac Code (Instr. 8	5. ctionNumb of 3) Deriv Secur Acqu (A) or Disport of (D) (Instr	(Month/Day ative ities ired r osed)	Date	7. Titl Amou Under Secur (Instr.	int of lying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)
				Code	V (A)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Elliott J. Keith 1001 NOBLE ENERGY WAY

HOUSTON, TX 77070

Sr. VP Eastern Mediterranean

Signatures

/s/ Aaron G. Carlson, Attorney-in-Fact 02/01/2017

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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).

Reflects shares relinquished to Noble Energy, Inc. by the reporting person out of, and to cover estimated tax withholding for, restricted shares granted on January 30, 2015, and vesting on January 30, 2017. The stock price reflected in Table I Column 4 was determined based on "fair market value," defined in the 1992 Plan for this transaction as the closing trading price of Noble Energy, Inc. common stock on the NYSE on January 30, 2017.

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- (2) Reflects unvested shares of performance restricted stock granted on January 31, 2014 forfeited to Noble Energy, Inc. on January 31, 2017.
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