

SPINNAKER EXPLORATION CO

Form 4

December 15, 2005

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
ERIKSON SHELDON R

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
SPINNAKER EXPLORATION CO
[SKE]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
1200 SMITH STREET, SUITE 800
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
12/13/2005

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

HOUSTON, TX 77002

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
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Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

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	12/13/2005		D		16,600	D	65.5 (1)

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)**

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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 Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. D S (I
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Director Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 25.31	12/13/2005		D	1,500	<u>(2)</u>	02/28/2010	Common Stock	1,500	
Director Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 40.73	12/13/2005		D	4,000	<u>(3)</u>	05/23/2010	Common Stock	4,000	
Director Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 40.73	12/13/2005		D	1,200	<u>(4)</u>	05/10/2011	Common Stock	1,200	
Director Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 42.06	12/13/2005		D	2,500	<u>(5)</u>	05/10/2011	Common Stock	2,500	
Director Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 22.89	12/13/2005		D	10,000	<u>(6)</u>	05/07/2012	Common Stock	10,000	
Director Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 22.89	12/13/2005		D	6,700	<u>(7)</u>	05/06/2008	Common Stock	6,700	
Director Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 35.6	12/13/2005		D	4,700	<u>(8)</u>	05/05/2009	Common Stock	4,700	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
ERIKSON SHELDON R 1200 SMITH STREET SUITE 800 HOUSTON, TX 77002	X

Signatures

Sheldon R. Erikson	12/15/2005
**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).
- (1) The shares were disposed of pursuant to the merger agreement between the issuer and Norsk Hydro ASA in exchange for merger consideration of \$65.50 per share.
 - (2) Options were 100% vested on May 23, 2000 and were canceled in the merger in exchange for a cash payment of \$60,281.25, representing the difference between the exercise price of the option and merger consideration of \$65.50.
 - (3) Options became 100% vested on May 10, 2005 and were canceled in the merger in exchange for a cash payment of \$99,100.00, representing the difference between the exercise price of the option and merger consideration of \$65.50.
 - (4) Options were 100% vested on May 10, 2001 and were canceled in the merger in exchange for a cash payment of \$29,730.00, representing the difference between the exercise price of the option and merger consideration of \$65.50.
 - (5) Options were 100% vested on May 7, 2002 and were canceled in the merger in exchange for a cash payment of \$58,600.00, representing the difference between the exercise price of the option and merger consideration of \$65.50.
 - (6) Options vested 20% on May 6, 2003, the grant date, and vested in 20% increments on each anniversary of the grant date and were canceled in the merger in exchange for a cash payment of \$426,100.00, representing the difference between the exercise price of the option and merger consideration of \$65.50.
 - (7) Options were 100% vested on May 6, 2003 and were canceled in the merger in exchange for a cash payment of \$285,487.00, representing the difference between the exercise price of the option and merger consideration of \$65.50.
 - (8) Options were 100% vested on May 5, 2004 and were canceled in the merger in exchange for a cash payment of \$140,530.00, representing the difference between the exercise price of the option and merger consideration of \$65.50.

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