

DAY JAMES C

Form 4

November 30, 2004

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 *
DAY JAMES C

(Last) (First) (Middle)

13135 SO. DAIRY
ASHFORD, SUITE 800

(Street)

SUGAR LAND, TX 77478

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading
Symbol
NOBLE CORP [NE]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
11/30/2004

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)
Chairman & CEO

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 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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Ordinary Shares	11/30/2004		A ⁽¹⁾	V 659.58 ⁽¹⁾	\$ 44.22 ⁽¹⁾	30,995.994 ⁽²⁾	I By Trust ⁽²⁾
Ordinary Shares					310,324	D	

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 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. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
DAY JAMES C 13135 SO. DAIRY ASHFORD SUITE 800 SUGAR LAND, TX 77478	X Chairman & CEO

Signatures

/s/ James C. Day 11/30/2004

__Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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) Represents 329.79 Ordinary Shares to be allocated in December 2004 and 329.79 Ordinary Shares to be allocated in January 2005 to the Reporting Person and held in a trust established under the Noble Drilling Corporation 401(k) Savings Restoration Plan. At the request of the Reporting Person, such shares are allocated in lieu of a portion of the salary of the Reporting Person. The price of such shares was calculated as the average closing price of the Ordinary Shares during the last fifteen trading days of the prior quarter.

(2) 7,775.3193 shares are held in the Noble Drilling Corporation 401(k) Savings Plan Trust and 23,220.675 shares (including those to be allocated in December 2004 and January 2005 to the Reporting Person -- see (1) above) are held in the Noble Drilling Corporation 401(k) Savings Restoration Plan Trust.

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