BURLESON ROBERT K

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(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 **BURLESON ROBERT K** Issuer Symbol NOBLE ENERGY INC [NBL] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify 100 GLENBOROUGH DRIVE, 02/01/2005 below) below) SUITE 100 Sr. VP Admin, President NEMI (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

HOUSTON, TX 77067

Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Indirect (I) Ownership (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s)

Code V Amount (D) Price (Instr. 3 and 4)

Noble

Energy Inc.,

Restricted 02/01/2005 A 1,588 \$0 3,143 D Α

Stock Award

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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number proof Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisab Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year		7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amoun or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option Grant (right to buy)	\$ 59.74	02/01/2005		A	7,790	02/01/2006(1)	02/01/2015	Noble Energy Inc., Common Stock	7,790

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
1	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BURLESON ROBERT K 100 GLENBOROUGH DRIVE, SUITE 100 HOUSTON, TX 77067			Sr. VP Admin, President NEMI	

Signatures	
Robert K. Burleson	02/03/2005
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date
Arnold J. Johnson, POA	02/03/2005
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date
James L. McElvany, POA	02/03/2005
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date

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(1) Options vest 1/3 each year for three years.

Remarks:

Column 5. of Table I includes 3143 shares of restricted stock.

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