#### NOBLE ENERGY INC

Form 4

November 20, 2006

## FORM 4

#### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

EDELMAN THOMAS J  (Last) (First) (Middle)  100 GLENBOROUGH DRIVE, SUITE 100			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NOBLE ENERGY INC [NBL] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/17/2006						Issuer				
									(Check all applicable)  Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below)				
		OUSTON, TX 77067			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
	(City)	(State)	Tabl	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned									
	1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Da (Month/Day/Year	r) Executio any	n Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Oay/Year) (Instr. 8)  (A) or			of (D)	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)			
	Noble Energy, Inc., Common Stock	11/17/2006			М	•	19,800	A		1,164,477	D		
	Noble Energy, Inc., Common Stock	11/17/2006			S		4,000	D	\$ 49.11	1,160,477	D		
	Noble Energy,	11/17/2006			S		2,000	D	\$ 49.12	1,158,477	D		

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Inc., Common Stock							
Noble Energy, Inc., Common Stock	11/17/2006	S	3,600	D	\$ 49.13	1,154,877	D
Noble Energy, Inc., Common Stock	11/17/2006	S	4,400	D	\$ 49.16	1,150,477	D
Noble Energy, Inc., Common Stock	11/17/2006	S	5,800	D	\$ 49.17	1,144,677	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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option Grant (right to buy)	\$ 6.86	11/17/2006		M	19,800	05/16/2005	02/19/2007	Noble Energy, Inc., Common Stock	19,800

## **Reporting Owners**

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Director 10% Owner Officer Other

**EDELMAN THOMAS J** 100 GLENBOROUGH DRIVE, SUITE 100 HOUSTON, TX 77067

# **Signatures**

Thomas J. 11/20/2006 Edelman

\*\*Signature of Reporting Date

Person

Arnold J. 11/20/2006

Johnson, POA

\*\*Signature of Reporting

Date Person

11/20/2006 Chris Tong, POA \*\*Signature of Reporting Date

Person

## **Explanation of Responses:**

If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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#### **Remarks:**

Column 5 of Table I includes 6,377 restricted shares of Noble Energy, Inc. Common Stock.

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