

KITTERMAN JAMES M  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**KITTERMAN JAMES M**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**SWIFT ENERGY CO [SFY]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 16825 NORTHCHASE DRIVE,  
 SUITE 400

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
 02/06/2010

\_\_\_\_ Director  
 \_\_\_\_ Officer (give title below)  
 \_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 \_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 Senior VP Operations

(Street)  
 HOUSTON, TX 77060

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 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 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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
SFY Cmmn Stock-By Other Holdings					2,420	I	IRA
SFY Common Stock-401(k)					11,422 <sup>(1)</sup>	I	401(k) Plan
SFY Cmmn Stock-ESOP Holding					677 <sup>(2)</sup>	I	ESOP Plan
Swift Energy Common	02/06/2010		F	479 D	\$ 78,575 24.53	D	

Stock

Swift Energy Common Stock	02/08/2010	A	2,400	A	\$ 24.52	80,975	D
Swift Energy Common Stock	02/08/2010	F	301	D	\$ 24.52	80,674	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 Underlying (Instr. 3 and 4)
Stock Option 2/8/2010-2/8/2020	\$ 24.52	02/08/2010		A	3,400	02/08/2011 <sup>(3)</sup> 02/08/2020	Swift Energy Common Stock

## Reporting Owners

**Reporting Owner Name / Address**

**Relationships**

Director    10% Owner    Officer    Other

KITTERMAN JAMES M  
16825 NORTHCHASE DRIVE, SUITE 400  
HOUSTON, TX 77060

Senior VP Operations

## Signatures

Alton D. Heckaman, Jr., POA for James M. Kitterman

02/10/2010

\_\_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) Based on statement dated 12/31/2009.

(2) Based on statement dated as of 12/31/2008.

(3) The option vests in three equal installments beginning February 8, 2011.

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