

SWIFT TERRY E  
Form 4  
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# FORM 4

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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 \*  
SWIFT TERRY E

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)  
02/16/2011

\_\_\_\_ Director  
\_\_\_\_ Officer (give title below)  
\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
COB & CEO

(Street)

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

HOUSTON, TX 77060

(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 Common Stock-401(k)         |                                      |  |                                | (A)   | 8,826 <sup>(1)</sup>  | I  | 401(k) Plan   |
| SFY Cmmn Stock-ESOP Holding     |                                      |  |                                | (A)   | 1,482 <sup>(2)</sup>  | I  | ESOP Plan   |
| Swift Energy Common Stock       |                                      |  |                                | (A)   | 8,085   | I  | TES GST Exempt Trust <sup>(3)</sup>                   |
| Swift Energy Common Stock       | 02/16/2011                           |  | A                              | 647   | A   | \$ 273,094   | D   |
|                                 |                                      |  |                                |   |   | 46.36  |   |

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|                                 |            |   |       |   |             |         |   |
|---------------------------------|------------|---|-------|---|-------------|---------|---|
| Swift Energy<br>Common<br>Stock | 02/16/2011 | A | 8,330 | A | \$<br>43.36 | 281,424 | D |
| Swift Energy<br>Common<br>Stock | 02/16/2011 | F | 489   | D | \$<br>46.36 | 280,935 | D |
| Swift Energy<br>Common<br>Stock | 02/16/2011 | F | 7,812 | D | \$<br>46.36 | 273,123 | 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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable Expiration Date                         | Title   |
| Stock Option 2/16/2011 - 2/16/2013         | \$ 46.36   | 02/16/2011                           |  | A                              | 8,301   | 02/16/2012 02/16/2013                                    | Swift Energy Common Stock 8,                                |
| SQ01 Plan grt 2/20/2001 ISO                | \$ 35.04   | 02/16/2011                           |  | M                              | 647   | 02/20/2002 02/20/2011                                    | Swift Energy Common Stock 6                                 |
| SQ01 Plan grt 11/15/2005; exp 02/20/2011   | \$ 43.48   | 02/16/2011                           |  | M                              | 8,330   | 11/15/2006 02/20/2011                                    | Swift Energy Common Stock 8,                                |

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Reporting Owners

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Director      10% Owner      Officer      Other

SWIFT TERRY E  
16825 NORTHCHASE DRIVE, SUITE 400  
HOUSTON, TX 77060

COB  
& CEO

## Signatures

Alton D. Heckaman, Jr., POA for Terry E.  
Swift

02/18/2011

\_\_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 1/30/2011.
- (2) Based on statement dated 12/31/2009.
- (3) Shares owned by the Terry Earl Swift GST Exempt Trust.

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