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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Urban Scott D

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

NOBLE ENERGY INC [NBL]

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

(Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 02/01/2013

Director Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify

100 GLENBOROUGH DRIVE. SUITE 100

(City)

(Street)

(State)

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

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

Price

below)

HOUSTON, TX 77067

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

4. Securities Acquired 3. Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of 6. Securities Beneficially Owned (D) or Following Reported (Instr. 4)

7. Nature of Ownership Indirect Form: Direct Beneficial Ownership Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)

(A) or Code V Amount (D)

916 (1) A

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Noble Energy,

Common Stock

Inc. 02/01/2013

11,922

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. Transactio 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 Amou Underlying Secur (Instr. 3 and 4) | |
|--|---|--------------------------------------|---|--|---|--|--------------------|---|------------------------------|
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Am or Nur of Sha |
| Non-Employee Director Stock Option Grant (right to buy) | \$ 109.19 | 02/01/2013 | | A | 2,355 | 02/01/2014 | 02/01/2023 | Noble Energy, Inc. Common Stock | |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Urban Scott D 100 GLENBOROUGH DRIVE, SUITE 100 HOUSTON, TX 77067

Signatures

Arnold J. Johnson, Attorney-in-Fact

02/05/2013

**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) Restricted shares of Noble Energy, Inc. Common Stock subject to a one-year restriction, granted under the 2005 Stock Plan for Non-Employee Directors.

Remarks:

Column 5 of Table I includes 916 restricted shares of Noble Energy, Inc. Common Stock directly held by the reporting person

Reported transactions represent annual grants under the 2005 Stock Plan for Non-Employee Directors of Noble Energy, Inc.

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