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	UNITED	STATES	SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549					N OMB Number:	3235-0287		
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obligation may com <i>See</i> Instr 1(b).	tinue. Section 17	Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940									
(Print or Type	Responses)										
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> DAY JAMES C			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol NOBLE CORP [NE]			<ol> <li>Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer</li> <li>(Check all applicable)</li> </ol>					
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	e) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction				(Ch	eck an applicabl	k an applicable)		
13135 SOUTH DAIRY ASHFORD, SUITE 800			(Month/Day/Year) 09/01/2006			X Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) Chairman and CEO					
SUGAR LA	(Street) AND, TX 77478	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				
		(7.)					Person				
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tab	ole I - Non-l	Derivative	Securities A	cquired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned		
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deema Execution any (Month/Da	Date, if	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) Code V	4. Securit onAcquired Disposed (Instr. 3, 4	(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)		
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 Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

 (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

number.

1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5. Number of	6. Date Exercisable and	7. Title and Amount of
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	orDerivative	Expiration Date	Underlying Securities
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	Securities	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	Derivative		(Instr. 8	Acquired ( Disposed ( (Instr. 3, 4 5)	of (D)				
				Code	/ (A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Phantom Stock Units	<u>(1)</u>	09/01/2006		А	16.8874 (2)		09/01/2006	<u>(3)</u>	Ordinary Shares	16.8874

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
DAY JAMES C 13135 SOUTH DAIRY ASHFORD SUITE 800 SUGAR LAND, TX 77478	Х		Chairman and CEO			

# Signatures

/s/ James C. Day

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person 09/05/2006 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).

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Cash dividend paid on September 1, 2006 pursuant to the Noble Drilling Corporation 401(k) Savings Restoration Plan and credited to (2) Reporting Person's account as phantom stock units.

(3) Units of phantom stock are payable to the Reporting Person in Ordinary Shares or cash upon any distribution of such units from the Plan.

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.