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## FORM 4

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

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

(Last)

(City)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>\*</u> DAY JAMES C

(First)

(Street)

(State)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

**OMB** 

Number:

Expires:

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Estimated average

burden hours per

Symbol

(Middle)

(Zip)

NOBLE CORP [NE]

(Check all applicable)

13135 SOUTH DAIRY

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 10/03/2006 \_X\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner X\_ Officer (give title \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify

below)

below) Chairman & CEO

**OMB APPROVAL** 

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January 31,

2005

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ASHFORD, SUITE 800

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

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

SUGAR LAND, TX 77478

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Indirect Beneficial (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Ownership (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned (I) Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported

(A) Reported
Transaction(s)
or
(Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price (Instr. 3 and

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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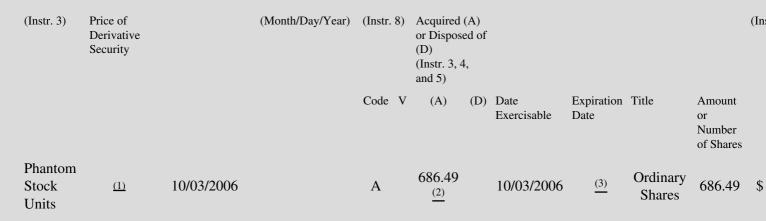
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## Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 4. 5. Number of 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and Amount of 8. l Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if **Transaction**Derivative **Expiration Date** Underlying Securities De Security or Exercise Code Securities (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3 and 4) Sec any

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## **Reporting Owners**

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

X Chairman & CEO

Relationships

## **Signatures**

/s/ James C. Day 10/03/2006

\*\*Signature of Person Date

\*\*Reporting Person

## **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)** 1 for 1
  - Consists of 686.49 phantom stock units to be allocated to the Reporting Person under the Noble Drilling Corporation 401(k) Savings Restoration Plan (the "Plan") on the last business day of October, November and December 2006. These units represent amounts payable
- (2) to the Reporting Person by the Issuer in Ordinary Shares in lieu of a portion of the Reporting Person's cash salary at the election of the Reporting Person. The Reporting Person has elected to defer receipt of the Ordinary Shares under the Plan. These phantom stock units are payable to the Reporting Person in Ordinary Shares or cash upon any distribution of such units from the Plan.
- (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.

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