

NEWFIELD EXPLORATION CO /DE/

Form 4

February 15, 2011

**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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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**SCHNEIDER WILLIAM D**

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol  
**NEWFIELD EXPLORATION CO  
/DE/ [NFX]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
**363 N. SAM HOUSTON PKWY E,  
SUITE 100**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
**02/11/2011**

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_\_\_ Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
VP-Onshore GC & International

(Street)  
**HOUSTON, TX 77060**

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

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

| 1. Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3.<br>Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 4. Securities<br>Acquired (A) or<br>Disposed of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or<br>Indirect (I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|
| common<br>stock                       |                                         |                                                             |                                         | (A)<br>or<br>(D)                                                           | Price                                                                                                              |                                                                      |                                                                   |
|                                       |                                         |                                                             | Code                                    | V                                                                          | Amount                                                                                                             |                                                                      |                                                                   |
| common<br>stock                       | 02/11/2011                              |                                                             | A                                       |                                                                            | 8,400<br>(1)                                                                                                       | A                                                                    | \$ 0 99,991 D                                                     |
| common<br>stock                       | 02/11/2011                              |                                                             | A                                       |                                                                            | 5,100<br>(2)                                                                                                       | A                                                                    | \$ 0 105,091 D                                                    |
|                                       |                                         |                                                             |                                         |                                                                            | 24                                                                                                                 | I                                                                    | By 401(k)                                                         |

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<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 5. Number<br>of<br>Derivative<br>Securities<br>Acquired<br>(A) or<br>Disposed<br>of (D)<br>(Instr. 3,<br>4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and<br>Amount of<br>Underlying<br>Securities<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5) | 9. Number<br>of<br>Derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction<br>(Instr. 10) |
|-----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                                     |                                                                    |                                         |                                                             | Code                                 | V (A) (D)                                                                                                          | Date<br>Exercisable                                            | Expiration<br>Date                                                        | Title                                               | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares                                                                                      |

## Reporting Owners

### Reporting Owner Name / Address

### Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SCHNEIDER WILLIAM D  
363 N. SAM HOUSTON PKWY E, SUITE 100  
HOUSTON, TX 77060

VP-Onshore GC & International

## Signatures

/S/ John D. Marziotti as attorney-in-fact for William D.  
Schneider

02/15/2011

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) The shares subject to this award will vest in equal annual installments on February 11, 2012, February 11, 2013 and February 11, 2014.

(2) The shares subject to this award have the possibility of vesting monthly, no earlier than April 15, 2014 and no later than April 15, 2016, and will only vest if certain performance criteria are met.

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