NOBLE ENERGY INC

Form 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Bruning Frederick Brian | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NOBLE ENERGY INC [NBL] | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) | | |
|---|----------|----------|---|---|--|--|
| (Last) | (First) | (Middle) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction | (Check all applicable) | | |
| 100 GLENB SUITE 100 | OROUGH 1 | DRIVE, | (Month/Day/Year) 02/01/2007 | Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (special below) Chief Accounting Officer | | |
| | (Street) | | 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 | | |
| HOUSTON, TX 77067 | | | | Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | |

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| (City) | (State) (Z | Zip) Table | I - Non-De | erivative S | ecurit | ties Ac | quired, Disposed o | of, or Beneficial | lly Owned |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---|--|--|------------------|---------|--|--|---|
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securit onAcquired Disposed (Instr. 3, | (A) of (D |) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| X 11 | | | Code V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | |
| Noble Energy, Inc. Common Stock | 02/01/2007 | | A | 3,835 (2) | A | \$0 | 5,215 | 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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | es (Month/Day/Year) d (A) osed of | | 7. Title and Amount Underlying Securition (Instr. 3 and 4) | |
|---|---|---|---|--|---|-----------------------------------|--------------------|--|------------------------------|
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amou or Numb of Sha |
| Employee Stock Option Grant (right to buy) | \$ 53.42 | 02/01/2007 | | A | 10,802 | 02/01/2008(1) | 02/01/2017 | Noble Energy, Inc. Common Stock | 10,8 |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Bruning Frederick Brian 100 GLENBOROUGH DRIVE, SUITE 100 HOUSTON, TX 77067

Chief Accounting Officer

Signatures

Arnold J. Johnson, POA 02/05/2007

**Signature of Reporting Date

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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) Options vest 1/3 each year for three years.
- (2) Restricted shares of Noble Energy, Inc. Common Stock subject to a 3-year restriction, granted under the 1992 Stock Option and Restricted Stock Plan.

Remarks:

Column 5. of Table I includes 5,215 restricted shares of Noble Energy, Inc. Common Stock.

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