

NOBLE ENERGY INC

Form 4

March 27, 2007

**FORM 4**
**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**Washington, D.C. 20549**

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See Instruction  
1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**BULLINGTON ALAN R**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**100 GLENBOROUGH DRIVE,  
SUITE 100**

(Street)

**HOUSTON, TX 77067**

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol  
**NOBLE ENERGY INC [NBL]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
**03/23/2007**

4. If Amendment, Date Original  
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_\_\_ Officer (give title \_\_\_\_ Other (specify  
below) below)

Senior VP

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
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Person

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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 Ownership Indirect Beneficial (Instr. 4)
Noble Energy, Inc. Common Stock					8,326 <sup>(1)</sup>	I	401(k)
Noble Energy, Inc. Common Stock	03/23/2007		M	3,500 A	\$ 16.27 27,950	D	
Noble Energy,	03/23/2007		S	3,500 D	\$ 61.24 24,450	D	

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Inc.  
Common  
Stock

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. Transaction 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 Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option Grant (right to buy)	\$ 16.27	03/23/2007		M	3,500	02/01/2003 02/01/2012	Noble Energy, Inc. Common Stock 40,000

## Reporting Owners

### Reporting Owner Name / Address

### Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BULLINGTON ALAN R  
100 GLENBOROUGH DRIVE, SUITE 100  
HOUSTON, TX 77067

Senior VP

## Signatures

Arnold J.  
Johnson, POA 03/27/2007

\_\_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).
- Holdings under the Company's 401(k) Plan are reported in units by the plan administrator. The units represent shares of Company
- (1) common stock. The number of shares represented by the units is based upon the plan statement as of the transaction date and calculated by dividing the aggregate unit balance under the 401(k) by the closing price of the Company's common stock on that date.

### Remarks:

Column 5 of Table I includes 21,132 restricted shares of Noble Energy, Inc. common stock.

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