#### **EDELMAN THOMAS J**

Form 4

December 26, 2012

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

EDELMAN THOMAS J			Symbol NOBLE ENERGY INC [NBL]						Issuer				
						_	NDL		(Check all applicable)				
(Last) (First) (Middle)  100 GLENBOROUGH DRIVE, SUITE 100			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/21/2012						Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below)				
	(Street)		4. If Am	nendmer	ıt, Da	ate Original		6.	Individual or Join	nt/Group Filin	g(Check		
		Filed(Month/Day/Year)					Applicable Line)  _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting						
HOUSTON	N, TX 77067							Po	Form filed by Mid erson	ore than One Re	porung		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tal	ble I - N	lon-I	Derivative S	Securi	ties Acqui	ed, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	ly Owned		
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction De (Month/Day/Yea	ned n Date, if Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) Transactionor Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)  (A) or Code V Amount (D) Price				))	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)			
Noble Energy, Inc. Common Stock	12/21/2012			J	V	100,000	A	\$ 102.57	1,201,206	D			
Noble Energy, Inc. Common Stock	12/21/2012			J	V	100,000	D	\$ 102.57	787,300	I	Deferred Comp. Plans		

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)

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					4, and 5)						
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						Date	Expiration		or		
						Exercisable	Date		Number		
									of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

EDELMAN THOMAS J 100 GLENBOROUGH DRIVE, SUITE 100 HOUSTON, TX 77067

# **Signatures**

Arnold J. Johnson, Attorney-in-Fact

12/26/2012

\*\*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).

#### Remarks:

This filing reflects a change in the form of beneficial ownership of 100,000 shares of Noble Energy, Inc. Common Stock as a

Column 5 of Table 1 includes 982 restricted shares of Noble Energy, Inc. Common Stock directly held by the reporting person

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