

NEWFIELD EXPLORATION CO /DE/
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
RICKMERS BRIAN L

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., #2020
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 05/03/2006

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)
 Controller

HOUSTON, TX 77060

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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(City) (State) (Zip)

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 (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
common stock	05/03/2006		F	106	D \$ 47.05	20,884	D
common stock						271.8	I 401K

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)	8. Price of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee stock opt.-right to buy	\$ 19.02 <u>(6)</u>					<u>(6)</u>	02/09/2011	common stock	3,200 <u>(6)</u>
Employee stock opt.-right to buy	\$ 16.53 <u>(1)</u>					<u>(1)</u>	05/03/2011	common stock	2,000 <u>(1)</u>
Employee stock opt.-right to buy	\$ 16.87 <u>(5)</u>					<u>(5)</u>	02/07/2012	common stock	3,600 <u>(5)</u>
Employee stock opt.-right to buy	\$ 16.25 <u>(3)</u>					<u>(3)</u>	08/14/2012	common stock	2,400 <u>(3)</u>
Employee stock opt.-right to buy	\$ 16.6 <u>(4)</u>					<u>(4)</u>	02/12/2013	common stock	4,800 <u>(4)</u>
Employee stock opt.-right to buy	\$ 24.49 <u>(2)</u>					<u>(2)</u>	02/12/2014	common stock	10,000 <u>(2)</u>

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other
Controller

