

SWIFT ENERGY CO  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
HECKAMAN ALTON D JR

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
16825 NORTHCHASE DRIVE,  
SUITE 400  
(Street)

HOUSTON, TX 77060

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
SWIFT ENERGY CO [SFY]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
05/19/2005

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_X\_ Officer (give title below) \_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
EVP/CFO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting 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 (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock	05/19/2005	05/19/2005	M	1	A \$ 9	26,158	D
Common Stock	05/19/2005	05/19/2005	M	84	A \$ 9	26,242	D
Common Stock	05/19/2005	05/19/2005	M	2,800	A \$ 9	29,042	D
Common Stock	05/19/2005	05/19/2005	F <sup>(1)</sup>	815	D \$ 31.79	28,227	D
Common Stock	05/19/2005	05/19/2005	S	5,000	D \$ 31.5	23,227	D

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Common Stock	6,476	I	401(k)
Common Stock	1,149	I	ESOP

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)	
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
				Code	V (A) (D)				
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 0	05/19/2005	05/19/2005	A <sup>(2)</sup>	23	05/19/2006	11/03/2007	Common Stock	23
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 0	05/19/2005	05/19/2005	A <sup>(2)</sup>	792	05/19/2006	02/18/2008	Common Stock	792
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 9	05/19/2005	05/19/2005	M	1	12/09/1999	12/26/2006	Common Stock	1
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 9	05/19/2005	05/19/2005	M	84	12/09/1999	11/03/2007	Common Stock	84
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 9	05/19/2005	05/19/2005	M	2,800	12/09/1999	02/18/2008	Common Stock	2,800

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
HECKAMAN ALTON D JR 16825 NORTHCHASE DRIVE, SUITE 400 HOUSTON, TX 77060			EVP/CFO	

## Signatures

Alton D.  
Heckaman, Jr. 05/20/2005

  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) Payment of exercise price by delivering or withholding 815 shares of common stock at \$31.79 per share, the closing price of issuer's common stock on 5-18-05
- (2) Grant of reload option pursuant to plan.

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