

RELIANT ENERGY INC  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
**JINES MICHAEL L**

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 1000 MAIN STREET, 12TH FLOOR  
 (Street)

HOUSTON, TX 77002

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**RELIANT ENERGY INC [RRI]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 02/19/2008

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 below) \_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 SVP, Gen. Counsel & Corp. Sec.

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V   | Amount  | (D)  | Price                             |
| Common Stock                    | 02/19/2008                           |  | A                              |   | 10,508  | A  | \$ 0                              |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   | 59,312 <sup>(1)</sup>   | D  |                                   |
|                                 |                                      |  |                                |   | 772   | I  |                                   |
|                                 |                                      |  |                                |   |   |  | By 401(K) Plan <sup>(2)</sup>     |

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 Number of Shares |
| Employee Stock Option-Right To Buy         | \$ 30  |                                      |  |                                |   | (3) 03/05/2011   |   | Common Stock | 52,5                    |
| Employee Stock Option-Right To Buy         | \$ 8.135   |                                      |  |                                |   | (3) 02/12/2014   |   | Common Stock | 217,0                   |
| Employee Stock Option-Right To Buy         | \$ 16.26   |                                      |  |                                |   | (4) 02/19/2017   |   | Common Stock | 26,7                    |
| Employee Stock Option-Right To Buy         | \$ 23.375  | 02/19/2008                           |  | A                              | 22,517  | (5) 02/19/2018   |   | Common Stock | 22,5                    |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |                                |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|--------------------------------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                        | Other |
| JINES MICHAEL L<br>1000 MAIN STREET<br>12TH FLOOR<br>HOUSTON, TX 77002 |               |           | SVP, Gen. Counsel & Corp. Sec. |       |

## Signatures

Michael L. Jines                      02/21/2008

\*\*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).

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This figure includes 3,629 shares that were inadvertently omitted from the reporting person's original Form 3 and also inadvertently

- (1) omitted from all Forms 4 subsequently filed by the reporting person through the date of this filing. A Form 3/A was filed on December 21, 2007 to reflect the amount of securities beneficially owned upon the reporting person's being named a Section 16 insider.
- (2) Based on a plan statement as of December 31, 2007.
- (3) All such stock options have vested.
- (4) 8,902 of such stock options have vested. The remaining 17,805 become exercisable in two equal annual installments beginning February 20, 2009.
- (5) These stock options vest in three equal annual installments beginning February 19, 2009.

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