EDELMAN THOMAS J

Form 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

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SECURITIES Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue.

Symbol

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

EDELMAN THOMAS J

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

| | | | NOBLE ENERGY INC [NBL] | | | | | (Check all applicable) | | | |
|---|---------------------------------------|-----------------------|---|----------------------------|--------------|-------------------|-------------|---|--|----------------------------------|--|
| (Last) (First) (Middle) 100 GLENBOROUGH DRIVE, SUITE 100 | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/10/2006 | | | | - - t | Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) below) | | | |
| HOUSTON | (Street) J, TX 77067 | | | endment, D onth/Day/Yea | ate Original | | I | 5. Individual or Jo Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by C Form filed by M | one Reporting Pe | rson | |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | 7 7. 1 | | | | | Person uired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned | | | |
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Day (Month/Day/Year | te 2A. Deer Execution | ned n Date, if | 3. Transaction Code | | es Acq d of (I | uired (A) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially | 6. Ownership Form: | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial | |
| | | (Month/I | Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) Code V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
| Noble Energy, Inc., Common Stock | 10/10/2006 | | | M | 115,000 | A | \$ 6.86 | 1,269,477 | D | | |
| Noble Energy, Inc., Common Stock | 10/10/2006 | | | S | 15,000 | D | \$ 45.5 | 1,254,477 | D | | |
| Noble Energy, | 10/10/2006 | | | S | 2,000 | D | \$ 45.51 | 1,252,477 | D | | |

| Inc., Common Stock | | | | | | | |
|--|------------|---|--------|---|-------------|-----------|---|
| Noble Energy, Inc., Common Stock | 10/10/2006 | S | 800 | D | \$ 45.52 | 1,251,677 | D |
| Noble Energy, Inc., Common Stock | 10/10/2006 | S | 12,200 | D | \$ 45.53 | 1,239,477 | D |
| Noble Energy, Inc., Common Stock | 10/10/2006 | S | 4,700 | D | \$ 45.54 | 1,234,777 | D |
| Noble Energy, Inc., Common Stock | 10/10/2006 | S | 11,800 | D | \$ 45.55 | 1,222,977 | D |
| Noble Energy, Inc., Common Stock | 10/10/2006 | S | 1,600 | D | \$ 45.56 | 1,221,377 | D |
| Noble Energy, Inc., Common Stock | 10/10/2006 | S | 100 | D | \$ 45.57 | 1,221,277 | D |
| Noble Energy, Inc., Common Stock | 10/10/2006 | S | 1,000 | D | \$ 45.58 | 1,220,277 | D |
| Noble Energy, Inc., Common Stock | 10/10/2006 | S | 15,500 | D | \$ 45.6 | 1,204,777 | D |
| Noble Energy, Inc., | 10/10/2006 | S | 384 | D | \$ 45.61 | 1,204,393 | D |

| Common Stock | | | | | | | |
|--|------------|---|--------|---|-------------|-----------|---|
| Noble Energy, Inc., Common Stock | 10/10/2006 | S | 700 | D | \$ 45.62 | 1,203,693 | D |
| Noble Energy, Inc., Common Stock | 10/10/2006 | S | 15,116 | D | \$ 45.63 | 1,188,577 | D |
| Noble Energy, Inc., Common Stock | 10/10/2006 | S | 1,300 | D | \$ 45.64 | 1,187,277 | D |
| Noble Energy, Inc., Common Stock | 10/10/2006 | S | 10,400 | D | \$ 45.65 | 1,176,877 | D |
| Noble Energy, Inc., Common Stock | 10/10/2006 | S | 1,100 | D | \$ 45.66 | 1,175,777 | D |
| Noble Energy, Inc., Common Stock | 10/10/2006 | S | 5,000 | D | \$ 45.67 | 1,170,777 | D |
| Noble Energy, Inc., Common Stock | 10/10/2006 | S | 2,400 | D | \$ 45.69 | 1,168,377 | D |
| Noble Energy, Inc., Common Stock | 10/10/2006 | S | 3,300 | D | \$ 45.7 | 1,165,077 | D |
| Noble Energy, Inc., Common | 10/10/2006 | S | 10,600 | D | \$ 45.75 | 1,154,477 | D |

Stock

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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) | Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of orDerivative 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 | Amoun Numbe Shares |
| Employee Stock Option Grant (right to buy) | \$ 6.86 | 10/10/2006 | | M | | 115,000 | 05/16/2005 | 02/19/2007 | Noble Energy, Inc., Common Stock | 465,0 |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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

Signatures

Thomas J. 10/12/2006 Edelman

**Signature of Reporting Date

Person

Arnold J.

Johnson, POA 10/12/2006

**Signature of Reporting Date

Person

Chris Tong, POA 10/12/2006

**Signature of Reporting Date

Person

Reporting Owners 4

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:

Column 5. of Table I includes 6,377 restricted shares of Noble Energy, Inc. Common Stock.

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