

Hatley Dustin A.
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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *		2. Date of Event Requiring Statement	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	
Â Hatley Dustin A.		(Month/Day/Year)	NOBLE ENERGY INC [NBL]	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)
		02/01/2012		
100 GLENBOROUGH DRIVE, SUITE 100			(Check all applicable)	
(Street)			<input type="checkbox"/> Director	<input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner
			<input type="checkbox"/> Officer	<input type="checkbox"/> Other
			(give title below)	(specify below)
			Chief Accounting Officer	
				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
				<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person
				<input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

HOUSTON,Â TXÂ 77067

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Noble Energy, Inc. Common Stock	4,196	D	Â
Noble Energy, Inc. Common Stock	274	I	401(k)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of	5. Ownership Form of Derivative	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Employee Stock Option Grant (right to buy)	02/01/2009	02/01/2018	Noble Energy, Inc. Common Stock	996	\$ 72.94	D	Â
Employee Stock Option Grant (right to buy)	01/30/2010	01/30/2019	Noble Energy, Inc. Common Stock	2,089	\$ 50.21	D	Â
Employee Stock Option Grant (right to buy)	02/01/2011	02/01/2020	Noble Energy, Inc. Common Stock	1,977	\$ 75.09	D	Â
Employee Stock Option Grant (right to buy)	02/01/2012	02/01/2021	Noble Energy, Inc. Common Stock	1,980	\$ 90.41	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Hatley Dustin A. 100 GLENBOROUGH DRIVE, SUITE 100 HOUSTON, TX 77067	Â	Â	Â Chief Accounting Officer	Â

Signatures

Arnold J. Johnson 02/03/2012

__Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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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Remarks:
 Column 2 of Table IA includes 1,457 restricted shares of Noble Energy, Inc. Common Stock directly

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All options listed in Table II vest 1/3 each year for three years following the date of grant.

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