NOBLE ENERGY INC

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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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading STOVER DAVID L Issuer Symbol NOBLE ENERGY INC [NBL] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) _X_ Director 10% Owner Other (specify X_ Officer (give title 1001 NOBLE ENERGY WAY 01/30/2017 below) President, CEO & Director (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative	Secu	rities Acquii	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit coor Dispos (Instr. 3, 4	ed of		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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Noble Energy, Inc. Common Stock	01/30/2017		F	3,873 (1)	D	\$ 39.52	549,565	D	
Noble Energy, Inc. Common Stock	01/31/2017		D	20,228 (<u>2)</u>	D	\$ 0	529,337	D	
Noble Energy,	01/31/2017		M	48,610	A	\$ 26.7075	577,947	D	

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Inc. Common Stock							
Noble Energy, Inc. Common Stock	01/31/2017	S	48,610	D	\$ 39.6277 (3)	529,337	D
Noble Energy, Inc. Common Stock	01/31/2017	F	5,312 (4)	D	\$ 39.76	524,025	D

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisab Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year		7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securition
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Sha
Employee Stock Option Grant (Right to	\$ 26.7075	01/31/2017		M	48,610	02/01/2008(5)	02/01/2017	Noble Energy, Inc. Common Stock	48,6

Reporting Owners

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Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
STOVER DAVID L	X		President, CEO & Director					

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HOUSTON, TX 77070

Signatures

/s/ Aaron G. Carlson, Attorney-in-Fact

02/01/2017

**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).
- Reflects shares relinquished to Noble Energy, Inc. by the reporting person out of, and to cover estimated tax withholding for, restricted shares granted on January 30, 2015, and vesting on January 30, 2017. The stock price reflected in Table I Column 4 was determined based on "fair market value," defined in the 1992 Plan for this transaction as the closing trading price of Noble Energy, Inc. common stock on the NYSE on January 30, 2017.
- (2) Reflects unvested shares of performance restricted stock granted on January 31, 2014 forfeited to Noble Energy, Inc. on January 31, 2017.
 - This transaction was executed in multiple trades from \$39.18 to \$39.84. The price reported above reflects the weighted average sale price.
- (3) The reporting person hereby undertakes to provide upon request to the SEC staff, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer full information regarding the number of shares and prices at which the transaction was effected.
- Reflects shares relinquished to Noble Energy, Inc. by the reporting person out of, and to cover estimated tax withholding for, restricted shares granted on January 31, 2014, and vesting on January 31, 2017. The stock price reflected in Table I Column 4 was determined based on "fair market value," defined in the 1992 Plan for this transaction as the closing trading price of Noble Energy, Inc. common stock on the NYSE on January 31, 2017.
- (5) Options vest 1/3 each year for three years.

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