NOBLE ENERGY INC

Form 4

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FORM 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Lewis John T.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Middle)

NOBLE ENERGY INC [NBL]

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(First)

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 01/31/2014

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title

below)

1001 NOBLE ENERGY WAY

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Sr. VP Corporate Development

Person

HOUSTON, TX 77070

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	y 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)	(Instr. 3,	ispose 4 and (A) or	d of (D) 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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Noble Energy, Inc. Common Stock	01/31/2014		Code V	8,022 (1)	` ,	Price \$ 62.33	52,528	D	
Noble Energy, Inc. Common Stock	01/31/2014		A	4,011 (<u>3)</u>	A	\$ 62.33	56,539	D	
Noble Energy,	02/01/2014		F	1,234 (4)	D	\$ 62.4	55,305	D	

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Inc. Common Stock						
Noble Energy, Inc. Common Stock	02/01/2014	F	627 (5) D	\$ 62.33	54,678	D
Noble Energy, Inc. Common Stock	02/01/2014	F	488 <u>(6)</u> D	\$ 62.33	54,190	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 Exerci Expiration Dat (Month/Day/Y	te	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option Grant (right to buy)	\$ 62.33	01/31/2014		A	20,056 (2)	01/31/2015	01/31/2024	Noble Energy, Inc. Common Stock	0

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
. 3	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Lewis John T. 1001 NOBLE ENERGY WAY			Sr. VP Corporate				

Reporting Owners 2 HOUSTON, TX 77070

Development

Signatures

Aaron G. Carlson, Attorney-in-Fact

02/04/2014

**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).
- Performance restricted stock will vest three years after the date of grant upon, and subject to a formula related to, the Company's achievement of certain levels of total shareholder return (TSR) relative to a pre-determined industry peer group, granted under the 1992 Stock Option and Restricted Stock Plan, as amended and restated (1992 Plan).
- (2) Options granted under the 1992 Plan vest 1/3 each year for three years.
- (3) Restricted shares of Noble Energy, Inc. Common Stock subject to vesting 40% after year one and the final 60% after year two, granted under the 1992 Plan.
- This reported transaction reflects shares relinquished to Noble Energy, Inc. by the reporting person out of, and to cover estimated tax witholding for, restricted shares granted on February 1, 2011, and vesting on February 1, 2014. The stock price reflected in Table I Column 4 was determined based on "fair market value," defined in the 1992 Plan as the average of the reported high and low trading price of Noble Energy, Inc. common stock on the NYSE on January 31, 2014.
- This reported transaction reflects shares relinquished to Noble Energy, Inc. by the reporting person out of, and to cover estimated tax witholding for, restricted shares granted on February 1, 2012, and vesting on February 1, 2014. 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, 2014.
- This reported transaction reflects shares relinquished to Noble Energy, Inc. by the reporting person out of, and to cover estimated tax witholding for, restricted shares granted on February 1, 2013, and vesting on February 1, 2014. 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, 2014.

Remarks:

Column 5 of Table I includes 28,159 restricted shares of Noble Energy, Inc. Common Stock directly held by the reporting personal Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.

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