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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

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Issuer

below)

RICKMERS BRIAN L

NEWFIELD EXPLORATION CO /DE/ [NFX]

(Check all applicable)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

(Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify

363 N. SAM HOUSTON PKWY E,

(State)

SUITE 2020

(City)

(Instr. 3)

(Month/Day/Year) 02/07/2008

Symbol

Controller & Asst Sec

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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

Person

HOUSTON, TX 77060

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Month/Day/Year)

Following

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)

Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

(A) or

Reported Transaction(s)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(Instr. 3 and 4)

common stock

D 25,884

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)

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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 proof 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 or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option- Right to Buy	\$ 48.45	02/07/2008		A	8,000	02/07/2009(1)	02/07/2018	common stock	8,000
Restricted Stock Unit	\$ 0	02/07/2008		A	4,000 (2)	02/07/2010(3)	02/07/2012	common stock	4,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
RICKMERS BRIAN L 363 N. SAM HOUSTON PKWY E, SUITE 2020 HOUSTON, TX 77060			Controller & Asst Sec		

Signatures

Brian L.
Rickmers

**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).
- (1) The options vest 20% per year commencing on the first anniversary of the grant.
- (2) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Newfield common stock.
- (3) The restricted stock units vest in three equal installments beginning on the second anniversary of the grant.

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