

NEWFIELD EXPLORATION CO /DE/
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
FOSTER JOE B

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
NEWFIELD EXPLORATION CO /DE/ [NFX]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)
 Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
 Retired Director

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 363 N. SAM HOUSTON PKWY. E., #2020
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 05/05/2005

HOUSTON, TX 77060

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially 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) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| common stock | | | | (A) or (D) | 177,109 | D | |
| common stock | | | | (A) or (D) | 12,500 ⁽¹⁾ | I | by Foundation |
| common stock | | | | (A) or (D) | 3,900 ⁽²⁾ | I | by Trust |
| common stock | | | | (A) or (D) | 3,000 ⁽³⁾ | I | by Foundation |

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of 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) | 8. Price or Value of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 9. Put or Call | 10. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 11. Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|---|----------------|---|--------------------------------|
| Employee stock option - right to buy | \$ 23.69 | | | | | (4) 02/12/2008 | common stock | | | | 42,000 |
| Forward sale contract | \$ 0 | | | | | (5) (5) | common stock | | | | 50,000 |
| Forward sale contract | \$ 0 | | | | | (6) (6) | common stock | | | | 50,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|------------------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| FOSTER JOE B 363 N. SAM HOUSTON PKWY. E., #2020 HOUSTON, TX 77060 | | | | Retired Director |

Signatures

B. Foster

C. William Austin as Attorney in Fact for Joe

05/10/2005

**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 shares are owned by a Foundation. The reporting person is neither an officer nor a beneficiary of the Foundation and disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares.
- (2) The shares are owned by a qualified grantor charitable lead annuity trust, of which the reporting person is the trustee.
- (3) The shares are owned by a Foundation. The reporting person is president and a director of the Foundation and disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares.
- (4) The options vested in five equal annual installments beginning 2/12/99.
- (5) See attached Exhibit
- (6) See attached Exhibit

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