

SWIFT ENERGY CO
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
VINCENT BRUCE H

(Last) (First) (Middle)

16825 NORTHCHASE DRIVE,
SUITE 400

(Street)

HOUSTON, TX 77060

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
SWIFT ENERGY CO [SFY]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
05/24/2005

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
PRESIDENT

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| | | | Code | V | Amount or Price | | |
| Common Stock | 05/24/2005 | 05/24/2005 | M | | 6,600 A \$ 9 | 58,430 | D |
| Common Stock | 05/24/2005 | 05/24/2005 | M | | 14,560 A \$ 9 | 72,990 | D |
| Common Stock | 05/24/2005 | 05/24/2005 | M | | 1,902 A \$ 8.125 | 74,892 | D |
| Common Stock | 05/24/2005 | 05/24/2005 | F(1) | | 6,236 D \$ 33.01 | 68,656 | D |
| Common Stock | 05/25/2005 | 05/25/2005 | S | | 14,430 D \$ 32.5 | 54,226 | D |

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|--------------|-------|---|--------|
| Common Stock | 9,066 | I | 401(k) |
| Common Stock | 1,159 | I | ESOP |

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) | | | |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|-----|---|-----------------|--------------|----------------------------|
| | | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Stock Options (Right to buy) | \$ 8.125 | 05/24/2005 | 05/24/2005 | M | | 1,902 | | 12/07/1999 | 12/07/2008 | Common Stock | 1,902 |
| Stock Options (Right to buy) | \$ 9 | 05/24/2005 | 05/24/2005 | M | | 14,560 | | 12/09/1999 | 11/03/2007 | Common Stock | 14,560 |
| Stock Options (Right to buy) | \$ 9 | 05/24/2005 | 05/24/2005 | M | | 6,600 | | 12/09/1999 | 02/18/2008 | Common Stock | 6,600 |
| Stock Options (Right to buy) | \$ 33.01 | 05/24/2005 | 05/24/2005 | <u>A</u> (2) | | 3,969 | | 05/24/2006 | 11/03/2007 | Common Stock | 3,969 |
| Stock Options (Right to buy) | \$ 33.01 | 05/24/2005 | 05/24/2005 | <u>A</u> (2) | | 1,799 | | 05/24/2006 | 02/18/2008 | Common Stock | 1,799 |
| Stock Options (Right to buy) | \$ 33.01 | 05/24/2005 | 05/24/2005 | <u>A</u> (2) | | 468 | | 05/24/2006 | 12/07/2008 | Common Stock | 468 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|-----------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| VINCENT BRUCE H 16825 NORTHCHASE DRIVE, SUITE 400 HOUSTON, TX 77060 | X | | PRESIDENT | |

Signatures

Karen Bryant POA for Bruce H.
Vincent

05/26/2005

__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) Payment of exercise price by delivering or withholding 6,236 shares of common stock at \$33.01 per share, the closing price of issuer's common stock on 5-24-05
 - (2) Grant of reload option pursuant to plan.

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