

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 \*  
HECKAMAN ALTON D JR

(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)  
05/13/2008

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)  
EVP & CFO

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)
SFY Common Stock-401(k)				(A)	6,959	I	401(k) Plan
SFY Cmmn Stock-ESOP Holding				(A)	1,276	I	ESOP Plan
Swift Energy Common Stock	05/13/2008		S	2,500 D	\$ 57.55 56,269	D	
Swift Energy Common	05/13/2008		S	2,500 D	\$ 57.056 53,769	D	

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Stock								
Swift Energy Common Stock	05/13/2008		S	2,500	D	\$ 56.54	51,269	D
Swift Energy Common Stock	05/13/2008		S	2,500	D	\$ 56	48,769	D
Swift Energy Common Stock	05/14/2008		M	5,100	A	\$ 25.18	53,869	D
Swift Energy Common Stock	05/14/2008		M	1,263	A	\$ 47.35	55,132	D
Swift Energy Common Stock	05/14/2008		M	1,658	A	\$ 49.7	56,790	D
Swift Energy Common Stock	05/14/2008		<u>F(3)</u>	2,221	D	\$ 57.8	54,569	D
Swift Energy Common Stock	05/14/2008		<u>F(4)</u>	1,034	D	\$ 57.8	53,535	D
Swift Energy Common Stock	05/14/2008		<u>F(5)</u>	1,425	D	\$ 57.8	52,110	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. 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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
				Code	V (A) (D)			

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Instrument	Exercise Price	Grant Date	Relationship	Quantity	Expiry	Term	Underlying
Stock Option 5/14/08 - 11/8/2014	\$ 57.8	05/14/2008	A <sup>(1)</sup>	2,221	05/14/2009	11/08/2014	Swift Energy Common Stock
Stock Option 5/14/08 - 5/14/2010	\$ 57.8	05/14/2008	A <sup>(2)</sup>	2,459	05/14/2009	05/14/2010	Swift Energy Common Stock
SQ01 Plan grt 11/8/2004 NQ	\$ 25.18	05/14/2008	M	5,100	11/08/2005	11/08/2014	Swift Energy Common Stock
SQ05 Plan Grant 11-9-06-2008	\$ 49.7	05/14/2008	M	1,658	11/09/2007	11/09/2008	Swift Energy Common Stock
SQ90 Plan grt 11/22/2005; exp 12/07/2008	\$ 47.35	05/14/2008	M	1,263	11/22/2006	12/07/2008	Swift Energy Common Stock

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
HECKAMAN ALTON D JR 16825 NORTHCHASE DRIVE, SUITE 400 HOUSTON, TX 77060			EVP & CFO	

## Signatures

Bruce H. Vincent, POA for Alton D.  
Heckaman, Jr

05/14/2008

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) Grant of reload option pursuant to plan.
- (2) Grant of reload option pursuant to plan.
- (3) Payment of exercise price by delivery of 2,221 shares of issuer's common stock at \$57.80 per share, the closing price of issuer's stock on 5/13/2008.
- (4) Payment of exercise price by delivery of 1,034 shares of issuer's common stock at \$57.80 per share, the closing price of issuer's stock on 5/13/2008.
- (5) Payment of exercise price by delivery of 1,425 shares of issuer's common stock at \$57.80 per share, the closing price of issuer's stock on 5/13/2008.

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