

SWIFT VIRGIL N
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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 *
SWIFT VIRGIL N

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
16825 NORTHCHASE DRIVE,
SUITE 400

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
04/24/2012

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

HOUSTON, TX 77060

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
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(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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (D) | Price |
| SFY Cmmn Stock-IRA Holdings | | | | | 6,121 | I | Held in IRA |
| Swift Energy Common Stock | 04/24/2012 | | M | | 22,000 | A | \$ 15.65 |
| | | | | | 150,893 | I | Living Trust |
| Swift Energy Common Stock | 04/24/2012 | | F | | 12,653 | D | \$ 27.21 |
| | | | | | 138,240 | I | Living Trust |

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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) |
|---|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|
| | | | | Code V (A) (D) | | Date Exercisable Expiration Date | Title |
| Stock Option 4/24/2012 - 4/24/2014 | \$ 27.21 | 04/24/2012 | | A | 12,653 | 04/24/2013 04/24/2014 | Swift Energy Common Stock |
| SQ01 plan grt 5/14/2002 NQ | \$ 15.65 | 04/24/2012 | | M | 22,000 | 05/14/2003 05/14/2002 | Swift Energy Common Stock |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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16825 NORTHCHASE DRIVE, SUITE 400
HOUSTON, TX 77060

Director Emeritus

Signatures

Alton D. Heckaman, POA for Virgil N.
Swift

04/25/2012

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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