Metcalf James J Form 4 February 08, 2010

## FORM 4

#### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Metcalf James J			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol NEWFIELD EXPLORATION CO /DE/ [NFX]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)			
(Last) 363 N. SAM SUITE 100	(First)	(Middle) N PKWY E,	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/04/2010	Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below)  Vice President - Drilling			
HOUSTON,	(Street) 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 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acc	quired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned			

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1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities onAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
common			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	, ,			
stock							1,681	I	401k		
common stock							200	I	in Tutma		
common stock	02/04/2010		A	7,200 (1)	A	\$ 0	69,264	D			
common stock	02/04/2010		A	3,000 (2)	A	\$0	72,264	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)

<ol> <li>Title of</li> </ol>	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Titl	le and	8. Price of	
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transact	ionNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amou	ınt of	Derivative	
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Under	lying	Security	
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivativ	e		Secur	ities	(Instr. 5)	i
	Derivative				Securities			(Instr.	3 and 4)		
	Security				Acquired	Acquired		`			1
	,				(A) or						1
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					4, and 5)						
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									Amount		
						Date	Expiration		or		
							Date		Number		
									of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Metcalf James J 363 N. SAM HOUSTON PKWY E, SUITE 100 HOUSTON, TX 77060

Vice President - Drilling

# **Signatures**

/S/ Michelle S. Miller as attorney-in-fact for James J. Metcalf, Jr.

02/08/2010

\*\*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 subject to this award will vest in equal annual installments on February 4, 2011, February 4, 2012 and February 4, 2013.
- (2) The shares subject to this award have the possibility of vesting monthly no earlier than April 15, 2013 and no later than April 15, 2015, and will only vest if certain performance criteria are met.

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