

Howard Daryll T  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
 Howard Daryll T

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 363 N. SAM HOUSTON PKWY E,  
 SUITE 100  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 09/30/2010

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 \_\_\_\_ Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 V.P.-Rocky Mountains

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		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	(A) or (D)			
common stock							4,361	I	By 401k
common stock							110	I	By IRA
common stock							100	I	By Roth IRA
common stock							1,000	I	By Rollover IRA
	09/30/2010		M		10,000	A \$ 0	63,293	D	

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common  
stock

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stock (1) 09/30/2010 S 10,000  
(2) D \$ 57.307 53,293 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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
employee stock option - right to buy	\$ 19.02	09/30/2010		M	10,000	02/09/2002	02/09/2011	common stock	10,000

## Reporting Owners

**Reporting Owner Name / Address**

**Relationships**

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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

V.P.-Rocky Mountains

## Signatures

/S/ John D. Marziotti as attorney-in-fact for Daryll T.  
Howard

10/01/2010

\_\_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).

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- (1) Includes 283 shares of common stock acquired by the reporting person on June 30, 2010 pursuant to the Newfield Exploration Company Employee Stock Purchase Plan.  
Reflects the sale of an aggregate of 10,000 shares of common stock on September 30, 2010 at the weighted average sale price of \$57.3071. The prices for these sales range from \$57.2881 to \$57.4250. The filer undertakes to provide, upon request by the Securities and Exchange Commission, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- (2)

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