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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person \* Statement NEWFIELD EXPLORATION CO /DE/ [NFX] Robinson Kevin M. (Month/Day/Year) 09/11/2012 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) **4 WATERWAY SQUARE** (Check all applicable) PLACE, STE 100 (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group 10% Owner Director Officer Other Filing(Check Applicable Line) (give title below) (specify below) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Vice President - Asia Person THE Form filed by More than One WOODLANDS, TXÂ 77380 Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) I By 401k common stock 5,788 D Â common stock 33,153 Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

 2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying	4. Conversion	5. Ownership	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial
(Month/Day/Year)	Derivative Security	or Exercise	Form of	Ownership
	(Instr. 4)	Price of	Derivative	(Instr. 5)

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
employee stock option - right to buy $\underline{^{(1)}}$	02/12/2004	02/12/2013	common stock	4,000	\$ 16.6	D	Â
employee stock option - right to buy $\frac{(2)}{}$	02/11/2005	02/11/2014	common stock	7,000	\$ 24.49	D	Â
employee stock option - right to buy $\frac{(3)}{}$	02/07/2009	02/07/2018	common stock	10,000	\$ 48.45	D	Â
Restricted Stock Award	02/04/2011	02/04/2014	common stock	4,800	\$ 0	D	Â
Restricted Stock Unit (5)	02/04/2011	02/04/2020	common stock	1,000	\$ 0	D	Â
Restricted Stock Unit (6)	08/15/2012	08/15/2015	common stock	6,174	\$ 0	D	Â
Cash-Settled Phantom Stock (7)	02/11/2012	02/11/2014	common stock	2,060	\$ 0	D	Â

### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address		Relationships				
		10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Robinson Kevin M. 4 WATERWAY SQUARE PLACE, STE 100 THE WOODLANDS, TX 77380	Â	Â	Vice President - Asia	Â		

### **Signatures**

/s/ Melissa L. Mong, attorney-in-fact for Kevin M. Robinson

09/12/2012

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) Options were granted on February 12, 2003 under the Companys 2000 Omnibus Stock Plan and became exercisable in 20% increments on the first, second, third, fourth and fifth anniversary dates of the grant.
- Options were granted on February 11, 2004 under the Companys 2000 Omnibus Stock Plan and became exercisable in 20% increments on the first, second, third, fourth and fifth anniversary dates of the grant.
- (3) Options were granted on February 7, 2008 under the Companys 2000 Omnibus Stock Plan and became exercisable in 20% increments on the first, second, third, fourth and fifth anniversary dates of the grant.
- (4) Restricted Stock Awards were granted on February 4, 2009 under the Companys 2004 Omnibus Stock Plan and vest in 33% increments on the second (not included as already vested), third (not included as already vested) and fourth anniversary dates of the grant.

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Restricted Stock Units were granted on February 4, 2010 under the Companys 2009 Omnibus Stock Plan and vest in 33% increments on the first (not included as already vested), second (not included as already vested) and third anniversary dates of the grant.

- (6) Restricted Stock Units were granted on February 10, 2012 under the Companys 2011 Omnibus Stock Plan and vest in 25% increments on August 15, 2012 (not included as already vested), 2013, 2014 and 2015.
- Cash-Settled Phantom Stock Units were granted on February 11, 2011 and vest in 33% increments on the first (not included as already vested), second and third anniversary dates of the grant. Each share of Phantom Stock is the economic equivalent of one share of the Companys common stock.

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