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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Ford John Duncan

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

NEWFIELD EXPLORATION CO

Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Middle)

(Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 02/14/2018

/DE/[NFX]

(Check all applicable)

Director Other (specify Officer (give title below) below)

4 WATERWAY SQUARE PLACE, **STE 100**

(Street)

(State)

(First)

(City)

(Last)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Regional Vice President

Applicable Line)

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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

THE WOODLANDS, TX 77380

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned **Following**

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Beneficial Ownership Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

10% Owner

Reported (A) Transaction(s)

or (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount Price (D)

common 02/14/2018 stock (1)

5,558 A A \$0 (2)

D 16,437

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)

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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 or 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)		8 I S ()
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Phantom Stock Unit	<u>(3)</u>	02/14/2018		A	5,558	(3)	(3)	common stock	5,558	
Restricted Stock Unit	<u>(4)</u>	02/14/2018		A	11,115	<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	common stock	11,115	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address		Relationships						
. 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
Ford John Duncan			Regional					
4 WATERWAY SQUARE PLACE, STE 100			Vice					
THE WOODLANDS TX 77380			President					

Signatures

/s/ Timothy D. Yang as attorney-in-fact for John D. Ford, III

02/16/2018

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**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 amount of securities beneficially owned following reported transactions (column 5) includes 879 shares of common stock acquired by the reporting person on December 31, 2017 pursuant to the Newfield Exploration Company Employee Stock Purchase Plan.
- (2) The shares subject to this award will vest in four equal installments on August 15, 2018, 2019 and 2020 and February 15, 2021.
- (3) Cash-settled Phantom Stock Units vest in four equal installments on August 15, 2018, 2019 and 2020 and February 15, 2021. Each share of Phantom Stock is the economic equivalent of one share of Company common stock.
- (4) The shares subject to this award have the possibility of vesting following the end of the applicable performance period, but will only vest if and to the extent certain total shareholder return and other criteria are met.

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