

NEWFIELD EXPLORATION CO /DE/
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**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Bernhardt Mona Leigh

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.,#2020
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
02/14/2006

____ Director
 Officer (give title below) _____ 10% Owner
_____ Other (specify below)
Vice President-Human Resources

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
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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 or Price		
common stock	02/14/2006		A		10,000 (1)	A	\$ 0 38,161 D
common stock					2,316	I	401K

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)	8. Price or Value of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
Employee stock opt.-right to buy	\$ 13.69					(2) 01/15/2010	common stock 4,000	
Employee stock opt.-right to buy	\$ 19.02					(3) 02/09/2011	common stock 4,000	
Employee stock opt.-right to buy	\$ 16.87					(4) 02/07/2012	common stock 5,000	
Employee stock opt.-right to buy	\$ 16.25					(5) 08/14/2012	common stock 3,600	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Bernhardt Mona Leigh 363 N. SAM HOUSTON PKWY.E.,#2020 HOUSTON, TX 77060			Vice President-Human Resources	

Signatures

Bernhardt

Mona Leigh

02/16/2006

**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 noted shares are subject to forfeiture if certain performance criteria are not met.
- (2) Part of a grant to the reporting person of 20,000 shares from the Issuer's 1998 Stock Plan, exercisable at \$13.69 per share. The options vest(ed) in five annual installments beginning 1/15/2001.
- (3) Part of a grant to the reporting person of 10,000 shares from the Issuer's 2000 Stock Plan, exercisable at \$19.02 per share. The options vest(ed) in five annual installments beginning 02/09/2002.
- (4) Part of a grant to the reporting person of 10,000 shares from the Issuer's 2000 Stock Plan, exercisable at \$16.87 per share. The options vest(ed) in five annual installments beginning 2/07/2003.
- (5) Part of a grant to the reporting person of 6,000 shares from the Issuer's 2000 Stock Plan, exercisable at \$16.25 per share. The options vest(ed) in five annual installments beginning 8/14/2003.

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