SWIFT ENERGY CO

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * HECKAMAN ALTON D JR			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SWIFT ENERGY CO [SFY]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check an applicable)		
16825 NORTHCHASE DRIVE, SUITE 400		RIVE,	(Month/Day/Year) 05/15/2008	Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below) EVP & CFO		
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Che		
HOUSTON, TX 77060			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

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(City)	(State) (Zij	Table I	- Non-Dei	ivative Sec	curitie	s Acquire	ed, Disposed of, o	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securion(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	sposed 4 and (A) or	d of (D)	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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
SFY Common Stock-401(k)							7,078	I	401(k) Plan
SFY Cmmn Stock-ESOP Holding							1,333	I	ESOP Plan
Swift Energy Common Stock	05/15/2008		S	2,500	D	\$ 59.5	49,610	D	
Swift Energy Common	05/16/2008		M	14,594	A	\$ 30.47	64,204	D	

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Swift Energy Common Stock	05/16/2008	S	2,500	D	\$ 60.5 61,704	D
Swift Energy Common Stock	05/16/2008	F(2)	7,390	D	\$ 60.17 54,314	D

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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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		orDerivative Expiration Day Securities (Month/Day/Y Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)		te	7. Title and Underlying (Instr. 3 and	Securit
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Sh	
Stock Option 5/16/2008 - 5/8/2011	\$ 60.17	05/16/2008		A <u>(1)</u>	7,390		05/16/2009	05/08/2011	Swift Energy Common Stock	7,3	
SQ01 Plan grt 5/8/2001 NQ	\$ 30.47	05/16/2008		M		14,594	05/08/2002	05/08/2011	Swift Energy Common Stock	14,:	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
reporting owner runner runners	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
HECKAMAN ALTON D JR 16825 NORTHCHASE DRIVE, SUITE 400 HOUSTON, TX 77060			EVP & CFO		

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Alton D.

Heckaman, Jr 05/19/2008

**Signature of Reporting Person

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- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Grant of reload option pursuant to plan.
- (2) Payment of exercise price by delivery of 7,390 shares of issuer's common stock at \$60.17 per share, the closing price of issuer's stock on 5/15/2008.

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