

SWIFT ENERGY CO  
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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 \*  
**VINCENT BRUCE H**

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
16825 NORTHCHASE DRIVE,  
SUITE 400  
(Street)

HOUSTON, TX 77060

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**SWIFT ENERGY CO [SFY]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
05/17/2005

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
**PRESIDENT**

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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**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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	05/17/2005	05/17/2005	M		8,660	A	\$ 20.04
Common Stock	05/17/2005	05/17/2005	M		3,540	A	\$ 9
Common Stock	05/17/2005	05/17/2005	M		11,630	A	\$ 20.1
Common Stock	05/17/2005	05/17/2005	F <sup>(1)</sup>		13,984	D	\$ 31.4
Common Stock	05/18/2005	05/18/2005	S		1,220	D	\$ 31.24

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Common Stock	05/18/2005	05/18/2005	S	1,900	D	\$ 31.09	56,030	D	
Common Stock	05/18/2005	05/18/2005	S	4,200	D	\$ 31.05	51,830	D	
Common Stock							9,066	I	401(k)
Common Stock							1,159	I	ESOP

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
					V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable		
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 0	05/17/2005	05/17/2005	A <sup>(2)</sup>		7,444		05/17/2006 05/17/2007	Common Stock	7,444
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 0	05/17/2005	05/17/2005	A <sup>(2)</sup>		5,526		05/17/2006 05/17/2007	Common Stock	5,526
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 0	05/17/2005	05/17/2005	A <sup>(2)</sup>		1,014		05/17/2006 11/03/2007	Common Stock	1,014
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 9	05/17/2005	05/17/2005	M		3,540		12/09/1999 11/03/2007	Common Stock	3,540
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 20.04	05/17/2005	05/17/2005	M		8,660		05/17/2005 05/17/2006	Common Stock	8,660

buy)

Stock

Options  
(Right to  
buy)

\$ 20.1

05/17/2005

05/17/2005

M

11,630

05/10/2004

05/10/2006

Common  
Stock

11,630

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
VINCENT BRUCE H 16825 NORTHCHASE DRIVE, SUITE 400 HOUSTON, TX 77060	X		PRESIDENT	

## Signatures

Bruce H.  
Vincent

05/19/2005

\*\*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) Payment of exercise price by delivering or withholding 13,984 shares of common stock at \$31.40 per share, the closing price of issuer's common stock on 5-17-05.
  - (2) Grant of reload option pursuant to plan.

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