

NEWFIELD EXPLORATION CO /DE/  
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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 \*  
 Metcalf James J

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,  
 SUITE 2020  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 05/19/2008

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 \_\_\_\_ Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 Vice President - Drilling

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  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
				Code	V	Amount	
common stock	05/19/2008		M		5,000	A	\$ 16.25 74,323 D
common stock	05/19/2008		S		500	D	\$ 66 73,823 D
common stock	05/19/2008		S		1,200	D	\$ 65.99 72,623 D
common stock	05/19/2008		S		500	D	\$ 65.985 72,123 D
common stock	05/19/2008		S		700	D	\$ 65.98 71,423 D

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common stock	05/19/2008	S	600	D	\$ 65.96	70,823	D
common stock	05/19/2008	S	100	D	\$ 65.95	70,723	D
common stock	05/19/2008	S	100	D	\$ 65.94	70,623	D
common stock	05/19/2008	S	600	D	\$ 65.93	70,023	D
common stock	05/19/2008	S	500	D	\$ 65.92	69,523	D
common stock	05/19/2008	S	100	D	\$ 65.915	69,423	D
common stock	05/19/2008	S	700	D	\$ 65.91	68,723	D
common stock	05/19/2008	S	300	D	\$ 65.905	68,423	D
common stock	05/19/2008	S	100	D	\$ 65.9	68,323	D
common stock	05/19/2008	S	1,200	D	\$ 65.895	67,123	D
common stock	05/19/2008	S	800	D	\$ 65.89	66,323	D
common stock	05/19/2008	S	600	D	\$ 65.885	65,723	D
common stock	05/19/2008	S	218	D	\$ 65.88	65,505	D
common stock	05/19/2008	S	604	D	\$ 65.87	64,901	D
common stock	05/19/2008	S	700	D	\$ 65.865	64,201	D
common stock	05/19/2008	S	196	D	\$ 65.86	64,005	D

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)

