NUEVO ENERGY CO Form SC 13G/A January 26, 2005

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

SCHEDULE 13G

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Amendment No. 5)*

Nuevo Energy Company (Name of Issuer)

Common Stock (Title of Class of Securities)

670509108 (CUSIP Number)

December 31, 2004 (Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)

Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed:

[X] Rule 13d-1(b)
[] Rule 13d-1(c)
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1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON /
I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON

Artisan Partners Limited Partnership

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP
(see Instructions) (a) []

Not Applicable (b) []

3 SEC USE ONLY

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Item 1(a	a)	Name of	Issuer:
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			Nuevo Energy Company of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices: 1021 Main
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	o)	Address	Nuevo Energy Company of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices: 1021 Main Suite 2100
Item 1()	o)	Address	Nuevo Energy Company of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices: 1021 Main Suite 2100 Houston, Texas 77002
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Item 1()	a)	Address	Nuevo Energy Company of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices: 1021 Main Suite 2100 Houston, Texas 77002 Person Filing: Artisan Partners Limited Partnership ("Artisan Partners") Artisan Investment Corporation, the general partner of Artisan Partners ("Artisan Corp.") Andrew A. Ziegler Carlene Murphy Ziegler

Item 2(c) Citizenship: Artisan Partners is a Delaware limited partnership Artisan Corp. is a Wisconsin corporation Mr. Ziegler and Ms. Ziegler are U.S. citizens Item 2(d) Title of Class of Securities: Common Stock 670509108 Type of Person: Item 3 (e) Artisan Partners is an investment adviser registered under section 203 of the Investment Advisers Act of 1940; Artisan Corp. is the General Partner of Artisan Partners; Mr. Ziegler and Ms. Ziegler are the principal stockholders of Artisan Corp. Page 6 of 12 Item 4 Ownership (at December 31, 2004): (a) Amount owned "beneficially" within the meaning of rule 13d-3: None Percent of class: (b) 0.0% (based on 20,407,599 shares outstanding as of April 30, 2004) (C) Number of shares as to which such person has: sole power to vote or to direct the (i) vote: None shared power to vote or to direct the (ii) vote: None (iii) sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of: None (iv) shared power to dispose or to direct disposition of: None Item 5 Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class: If this statement is being filed to report the fact that as of the date hereof the reporting person has ceased to be the beneficial owner of more than five percent of the class of securities, check the following [X]. Item 6 Ownership of More than Five Percent on Behalf of Another Person: Not Applicable

Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary Which

Item 7

Acquired the Security Being Reported on by the Parent Holding Company or Control Person:

Not Applicable

Not Applicable

Not Applicable

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were acquired and are held in the ordinary course of business and were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

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Signature

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Date: January 26, 2005

ARTISAN INVESTMENT CORPORATION for itself and as general partner of ARTISAN PARTNERS LIMITED PARTNERSHIP

By: Lawrence A. Totsky*

ANDREW A. ZIEGLER

Andrew A. Ziegler*

CARLENE MURPHY ZIEGLER

Carlene Murphy Ziegler*

*By: /s/ Lawrence A. Totsky

Lawrence A. Totsky Chief Financial Officer of Artisan Investment Corporation Attorney-in-Fact for Andrew A. Ziegler

Attorney-in-Fact for Carlene Murphy

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Exhibit 1	Joint Filing Agreement dated as of January 26, 2005 by and among Artisan Partners Limited Partnership, Artisan Investment Corporation, Andrew A. Ziegler, and Carlene Murphy Ziegler
Exhibit 2	Power of Attorney of Andrew A. Ziegler dated as of April 2, 2002
Exhibit 3	Power of Attorney of Carlene M. Ziegler dated as of April 2, 2002

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