

RELIANT ENERGY INC
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FORM 4

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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 *
 KUPIEC SUZANNE L

(Last) (First) (Middle)

1000 MAIN STREET, 12TH FLOOR

(Street)

HOUSTON, TX 77002

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 RELIANT ENERGY INC [RRI]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 02/19/2008

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)

SVP, Risk and Structuring

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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price
Common Stock	02/19/2008		A		5,106	A	\$ 0 44,239
						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)

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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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option-Right To Buy	\$ 6.205					(1) 06/30/2013	Common Stock	33,8
Employee Stock Option-Right To Buy	\$ 8.135					(1) 02/12/2014	Common Stock	217,0
Employee Stock Option-Right To Buy	\$ 16.26					(2) 02/19/2017	Common Stock	13,7
Employee Stock Option-Right To Buy	\$ 23.375	02/19/2008		A	10,942	(3) 02/18/2018	Common Stock	10,9

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
KUPIEC SUZANNE L 1000 MAIN STREET 12TH FLOOR HOUSTON, TX 77002	Director 10% Owner Officer SVP, Risk and Structuring Other

Signatures

Suzanne L. Kupiec 02/21/2008

**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) All such stock options have vested.

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- (2) 4,582 of such stock options have vested. The remaining 9,164 become exercisable in two equal annual installments beginning February 20, 2009.
- (3) These stock options vest in three equal annual installments beginning February 19, 2009.

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