

NEWFIELD EXPLORATION CO /DE/
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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 *
TRICE DAVID A

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 100

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
12/01/2009

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

HOUSTON, TX 77060

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
X Form filed by One Reporting Person
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(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						I	IRA
common stock						I	By 401(k)
common stock						I	By GRAT
common stock						I	By Spouse/GRAT
common stock <u>(1)</u>	12/01/2009		M	20,000	A \$ 0	D	

common stock	12/01/2009	F	10,890	D	\$ 43.12	475,026	D
common stock	12/01/2009	F	5,068	D	\$ 43.2096	469,958	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)

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
Restricted Stock Unit ⁽²⁾	\$ 0	12/01/2009		M	20,000	12/01/2009 12/01/2009	common stock	20,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other

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363 N. SAM HOUSTON PKWY E, SUITE 100
HOUSTON, TX 77060

Signatures

/S/ Michelle S. Miller as attorney-in-fact for David A. Trice
12/03/2009

**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) On December 1, 2009, the Reporting Person's restricted stock units were settled for an equal number of shares of Newfield common stock.

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- (2) Each restricted stock unit was a contingent right to acquire one share of Newfield common stock. On December 1, 2009, the Reporting Person's restricted stock units were settled for an equal number of shares of Newfield common stock.

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