

SWIFT ENERGY CO  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(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)  
02/21/2008

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)  
President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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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)
SFY Common Stock-401(k)				(A) or (D)	Price		
SFY Common Stock-401(k)						I	401(k) Plan
SFY Common Stock-ESOP Holding						I	ESOP Plan
Swift Energy Common Stock	02/21/2008		M	4,276	A \$ 40.57	96,439	D
Swift Energy Common Stock	02/21/2008		M	5,761	A \$ 40.57	102,200	D

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Swift Energy Common Stock	02/21/2008	F <sup>(3)</sup>	3,684	D	\$ 47.08	98,516	D
Swift Energy Common Stock	02/21/2008	F <sup>(4)</sup>	4,964	D	\$ 47.08	93,552	D
Swift Energy Common Stock	02/21/2008	S	1,389	D	\$ 47	92,163	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 Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Stock Option - 2/20/08 - 2/20/2010	\$ 47.08	02/21/2008		A <sup>(1)</sup>	3,684	02/20/2009	02/20/2010	Swift Energy Common Stock
Stock Option - 2/20/08 - 2/20/2010	\$ 47.08	02/21/2008		A <sup>(2)</sup>	4,964	02/20/2009	02/20/2010	Swift Energy Common Stock
SQ05 Plan grt 06/27/2006-08	\$ 40.57	02/21/2008		M	4,276	06/27/2007	06/27/2008	Swift Energy Common Stock
SQ05 Plan grt 06/27/2006-08	\$ 40.57	02/21/2008		M	5,761	06/27/2007	06/27/2008	Swift Energy Common Stock

## Reporting Owners

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

## Signatures

Bruce H.  
Vincent

02/25/2008

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) Grant of reload option pursuant to plan
- (2) Grant of reload option pursuant to plan.
- (3) Payment of exercise price by delivery of 3,684 shares of issuer's common stock at \$47.08 per share, the closing price of issuer's stock on 2/20/08.
- (4) Payment of exercise price by delivery of 4,964 shares of issuer's common stock at \$47.08 per share, the closing price of issuer's stock on 2/20/08.

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