#### JACKSON MARK A

Form 4

November 24, 2004

# FORM 4

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

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### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * JACKSON MARK A			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
			NOBLE CORP [NE]	(Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner			
13135 SOUTH DAIRY ASHFORD, SUITE 800			11/24/2004	Officer (give title Other (specif below) SVP-Finance, CFO, Treasurer			
(Street) SUGAR LAND, TX 77478			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)				
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(City)	(State) (	Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acc	quired, Disposed o	of, or Beneficial	lly 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. Securion(A) or D (D) (Instr. 3,	ispose 4 and (A) or	d of	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)
Ordinary Shares	11/24/2004	11/30/2004	M	5,000	A	\$ 31.1	5,000	D	
Ordinary Shares	11/24/2004	11/30/2004	S	5,000	D	\$ 48	0	D	
Ordinary Shares							83,710	D	
Ordinary Shares							2,159.4004	I	By Trust

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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	isable and	7. Titl	le and	8. Price of	9
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	onNumber	Expiration Da	ite	Amou	ınt of	Derivative	J
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/Y	Year)	Under	lying	Security	5
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	•		Secur	ities	(Instr. 5)	]
	Derivative				Securities			(Instr.	3 and 4)		(
	Security				Acquired						J
					(A) or						J
					Disposed						-
					of (D)						(
					(Instr. 3,						
					4, and 5)						
									Amount		
						<b>5</b> .	<b>.</b>		or		
							Expiration	Title	Number		
						Exercisable	Date		of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

JACKSON MARK A 13135 SOUTH DAIRY ASHFORD SUITE 800 SUGAR LAND, TX 77478

SVP-Finance, CFO, Treasurer

## **Signatures**

/s/ Mark A. Jackson 11/24/2004

\*\*Signature of Date
Reporting Person

# **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).

Amount represents shares held in the Noble Drilling Corporation 401(k) Savings Plan and the Noble Drilling Corporation 401(k) Savings

(1) Restoration Plan. Of the shares held by the Reporting Person 318.2931 shares were held in the Noble Drilling Corporation 401(k) Savings Plan Trust and 1,841.1073 shares were held in the Noble Drilling Corporation 401(k) Savings Restoration Plan Trust.

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