

ROBERTSON JULIE J  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
**ROBERTSON JULIE J**

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
  
13135 SO DAIRY  
ASHFORD, SUITE 800  
  
(Street)

SUGAR LAND, TX 77478

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**NOBLE CORP [NE]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
**02/02/2006**

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 & Corporate Sec**

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price			
Ordinary Shares	02/02/2006		A	5,604 A \$ 0	0	D	
Ordinary Shares	02/02/2006		A	10,391 A \$ 0	125,038 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	
Ordinary Shares					2,919.6438 <sup>(2)</sup>	I	By Trust

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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)	8. D	9. S	10. I
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Options	\$ 75.85	02/02/2006		A	11,876	<u>(3)</u>	02/02/2016	Ordinary Shares	11,876	

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
ROBERTSON JULIE J 13135 SO DAIRY ASHFORD SUITE 800 SUGAR LAND, TX 77478			SVP & Corporate Sec	

## Signatures

/s/ Julie J.  
Robertson

02/02/2006

\_\_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) Includes 5,604 ordinary shares granted as Time Vested Restricted Stock and 10,391 ordinary shares granted as Performance Vested Restricted Stock.
- (2) Shares held in the Noble Drilling Corporation 401(k) Savings Plan Trust.
- (3) Represents option to purchase 11,876 shares with a vesting schedule of 3,958 shares on 2/2/07; 3,959 shares on 2/2/08; and 3,959 shares on 2/2/09.

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