

SWIFT TERRY E  
Form 4  
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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 \*  
SWIFT TERRY E

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
SWIFT ENERGY CO [SFY]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
16825 NORTHCHASE DRIVE,  
SUITE 400  
  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
02/09/2011

\_\_\_\_ Director  
\_\_\_\_ Officer (give title below)  
\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
COB & CEO

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  
\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| SFY Common Stock-401(k)         |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)  | Price   |  |   |
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V   | Amount  |  |   |
| SFY Cmmn Stock-ESOP Holding     |                                      |  |                                |   |   |  | 401(k) Plan   |
|                                 |                                      |  |                                |   | 8,826 <sup>(1)</sup>  | I  |   |
| Swift Energy Common Stock       |                                      |  |                                |   |   |  | ESOP Plan   |
|                                 |                                      |  |                                |   | 1,482 <sup>(2)</sup>  | I  |   |
| Swift Energy Common Stock       |                                      |  |                                |   |   |  | TES GST Exempt Trust <sup>(3)</sup>                   |
|                                 |                                      |  |                                |   | 8,085   | I  |   |
| Swift Energy Common             | 02/09/2011                           |  | C                              | A   | \$ 45,800   | D  |   |
|                                 |                                      |  |                                |   | 282,169   |  |   |
|                                 |                                      |  |                                |   | 42.61   |  |   |

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Stock

Swift Energy

Common 02/10/2011 F 6,526 D \$ 42.81 275,643 D  
Stock

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 |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|
| Stock Option                               | \$ 42.61   | 02/09/2011                           |  | A                              | 66,000  | 02/09/2012 <sup>(4)</sup> 02/09/2021                     | Swift Energy Common Stock                                     | 66,000                     |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |              |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|--------------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer      | Other |
| SWIFT TERRY E<br>16825 NORTHCHASE DRIVE, SUITE 400<br>HOUSTON, TX 77060 |               |           | COB<br>& CEO |       |

## Signatures

Donald W. Brodsky, POA for Terry E.  
Swift 02/11/2011

\*\*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).

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- (1) Based on statement dated 1/30/2011.
- (2) Based on statement dated 12/31/2009.
- (3) Shares owned by the Terry Earl Swift GST Exempt Trust.
- (4) The option vests in three equal annual installments beginning on February 9, 2012.

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