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(Print or Type I	Responses)								
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> DAY JAMES C			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
			NOBL	E CORP	[NE]		(Che	ck all applicabl	e)
(Last) (First) (Middle) 13135 SO. DAIRY ASHFORD, SUITE 800			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/01/2005			X_ Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) CEO & President			
	(Street)		4. If Am	endment. D	ate Origina	1	6. Individual or J	loint/Group Fili	ng(Check
(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) SUGAR LAND, TX 77478			-	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting					
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(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tab	ole I - Non-l	Derivative	Securities A	Acquired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution any	Date, if	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit onAcquired Disposed (Instr. 3, 4	(A) or of (D)	Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
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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. Number of	6. Date Exercisable and	7. Title and Amount of	8. I
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transacti	orDerivative	Expiration Date	Underlying Securities	Der
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	Securities	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4)	Sec

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month	h/Day/Year) (Instr	. 8)	Acquired (or Dispose (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	ed of					(Ins
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Phantom Stock Units	<u>(1)</u>	06/01/2005	А		8.6829 (2)		06/01/2005	(3)	Ordinary Shares	8.6829	\$

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
I State and state	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
DAY JAMES C 13135 SO. DAIRY ASHFORD SUITE 800 SUGAR LAND, TX 77478	Х		CEO & President				
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Signatures

/s/ James C. Day	06/01/2005
<u>**</u> 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) 1 for 1
- (2) Cash dividend paid on June 1, 2005 pursuant to the Noble Drilling Corporation 401(k) Savings Restoration Plan and credited to Reporting Person's account as phantom stock units.
- (3) Units of phantom stock are payable to the Reporting Person in Ordinary Shares or cash upon any distribution of such units from the Plan.

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.