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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person \* Statement NEWFIELD EXPLORATION CO /DE/ [NFX] A Langford Samuel E. (Month/Day/Year) 05/07/2009 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 363 N. SAM HOUSTON PKWY (Check all applicable) E, SUITE 100 (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group 10% Owner Director Officer Other Filing(Check Applicable Line) (give title below) (specify below) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting VP-Corporate Development Person HOUSTON, TXÂ 77060 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) Â D common stock 20,325 35 I By 401k common stock Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security	2. Date Exercisable and	3. Title and Amount of	4.	5.	6. Nature of Indirect
(Instr. 4)	Expiration Date	Securities Underlying	Conversion	Ownership	Beneficial Ownership
	(Month/Day/Year)	Derivative Security	or Exercise	Form of	(Instr. 5)
		(Instr. 4)	Price of	Derivative	

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
employee stock option - right to buy $\underline{^{(1)}}$	(2)	05/05/2014	common stock	16,500	\$ 26.43	D	Â
employee stock option - right to buy	(3)	02/07/2018	common stock	5,200	\$ 48.45	D	Â

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
Langford Samuel E. 363 N. SAM HOUSTON PKWY E, SUITE 100	Â	Â	VP-Corporate Development	Â	
HOUSTON. TX 77060					

## **Signatures**

/s/ Michelle S. Miller, as attorney-in-fact for Samuel E.
Langford

05/11/2009

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

### **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) Reflects the number of shares of common stock remaining subject to the original 30,000 share option award on the date that Mr. Langford became a reporting person.
- (2) The option vests in five equal annual installments beginning on May 5, 2005.
- (3) The option vests in five equal annual installments beginning on February 7, 2009.

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#### **Remarks:**

Exhibit List:

#### Exhibit 24-Power of Attorney

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