SWIFT ENERGY CO

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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * VINCENT BRUCE H			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)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)		
			(Month/Day/Year)	X Director 10% Owner		
16825 NORTHCHASE DRIVE, SUITE 400			05/24/2005	X Officer (give title Other (specify below)		
				PRESIDENT		
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line)		
HOUSTON, TX 77060				_X_Form filed by One Reporting PersonForm 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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired etion(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or		5. Amount of 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)	
			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	05/24/2005	05/24/2005	M	6,600	A	\$9	58,430	D	
Common Stock	05/24/2005	05/24/2005	M	14,560	A	\$ 9	72,990	D	
Common Stock	05/24/2005	05/24/2005	M	1,902	A	\$ 8.125	74,892	D	
Common Stock	05/24/2005	05/24/2005	F(1)	6,236	D	\$ 33.01	68,656	D	
Common Stock	05/25/2005	05/25/2005	S	14,430	D	\$ 32.5	54,226	D	

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Common Stock	9,066	I	401(k)
Common Stock	1,159	I	ESOP

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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of or 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 Underlying Securitie (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amour or Number of Shar
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 8.125	05/24/2005	05/24/2005	M		1,902	12/07/1999	12/07/2008	Common Stock	1,90
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 9	05/24/2005	05/24/2005	M		14,560	12/09/1999	11/03/2007	Common Stock	14,56
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 9	05/24/2005	05/24/2005	M		6,600	12/09/1999	02/18/2008	Common Stock	6,60
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 33.01	05/24/2005	05/24/2005	A(2)	3,969		05/24/2006	11/03/2007	Common Stock	3,96
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 33.01	05/24/2005	05/24/2005	A(2)	1,799		05/24/2006	02/18/2008	Common Stock	1,79
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 33.01	05/24/2005	05/24/2005	A(2)	468		05/24/2006	12/07/2008	Common Stock	468

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

VINCENT BRUCE H

16825 NORTHCHASE DRIVE, SUITE 400 X PRESIDENT

HOUSTON, TX 77060

Signatures

Karen Bryant POA for Bruce H. Vincent 05/26/2005

**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) Payment of exercise price by delivering or withholding 6,236 shares of common stock at \$33.01 per share, the closing price of issuer's common stock on 5-24-05
- (2) Grant of reload option pursuant to plan.

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