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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Howard Daryll T			2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year)		3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NEWFIELD EXPLORATION CO /DE/ [NFX]					
(Last) (l	First)	(Middle)	05/07/2009		4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)		
363 N. SAM HOUSTON PKWY E, SUITE 100					(Check	all applicable)	2.00(
(Street) HOUSTON, TX 77060					Director10% OwnerOfficerOther (give title below) (specify below) V.PRocky Mountains			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) (S	State)	(Zip)		Table I - N	- Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned					
1.Title of Security (Instr. 4)				2. Amount of Beneficially (Instr. 4)		3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nat Owne (Instr.	•		
common stock				4,071		I	By 4	01k		
common stock				29,974		D	Â			
common stock				110		I	By II	RA		
common stock				100		I	By R	oth IRA		
common stock				1,000		I	By R	ollover IRA		
Reminder: Report of owned directly or in		te line for ea	ch class of secu	rities benefici	ially S	EC 1473 (7-02)			
	informa	ation conta	oond to the calined in this f	orm are not						

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

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of	5. Ownership Form of Derivative	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	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	(1)	02/10/2010	common stock	5,000	\$ 14.91	D	Â
employee stock option - right to buy	(2)	02/09/2011	common stock	10,000	\$ 19.02	D	Â
employee stock option - right to buy	(3)	02/07/2012	common stock	10,000	\$ 16.87	D	Â
employee stock option - right to buy	(4)	08/14/2012	common stock	5,000	\$ 16.25	D	Â
employee stock option - right to buy	(5)	02/12/2013	common stock	10,000	\$ 16.6	D	Â
employee stock option - right to buy	(6)	02/11/2014	common stock	10,000	\$ 24.49	D	Â
employee stock option - right to buy	(7)	02/07/2018	common stock	5,200	\$ 48.45	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
1	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Howard Daryll T 363 N. SAM HOUSTON PKWY E, SUITE 100 HOUSTON, TX 77060	Â	Â	V.PRocky Mountains	Â		

Signatures

/S/ Michelle S. Miller as attorney-in-fact for Daryll T. Howard 05/11/2009

**Signature of Reporting Person

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).

Date

- (1) The option vested in five equal annual installments beginning on February 10, 2001.
- (2) The option vested in five equal annual installments beginning on February 9, 2002.
- (3) The option vested in five equal annual installments beginning on February 7, 2003.
- (4) The option vested in five equal annual installments beginning on August 14, 2003.
- (5) The option vested in five equal annual installments beginning on February 12, 2004.

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- (6) The option vested in five equal annual installments beginning on February 11, 2005.
- (7) 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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