

NOBLE ENERGY INC
Form 8-K
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**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): April 25, 2006

NOBLE ENERGY, INC.

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

001-07964

73-0785597

(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

Commission
File Number

(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

**100 Glenborough, Suite 100
Houston, Texas**

77067

(Address of principal executive
offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(281) 872-3100**

(Former name, former address and former fiscal year, if changed since last report)

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On April 25, 2006, in connection with its annual review of board committee assignments, the board of directors of the Company appointed William T. Van Kleeef as Chair of the Audit Committee, with Michael A. Cawley and Bruce A. Smith being appointed to continue as members of the committee. Also on April 25, 2006, the board of directors of the Company appointed Kirby L. Hedrick to continue as Chair of the Compensation, Benefits and Stock Option Committee, with Jeffrey L. Berenson being appointed to the committee and Edward F. Cox being appointed to remain as a member of the committee. The board had previously determined that William T. Van Kleeef and Bruce A. Smith each possess accounting or related financial management expertise within the meaning of the listing standards of the New York Stock Exchange and is an audit committee financial expert within the meaning of applicable Securities and Exchange Commission rules. The composition and chairs of the Corporate Governance and Nominating Committee and the Environment, Health & Safety Committee remain unchanged after the April 25, 2006 appointments by the Company's board of directors.

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SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Company has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

NOBLE ENERGY, INC.

Date: April 28, 2006

By: /s/ Arnold J. Johnson

Arnold J. Johnson
Vice President, General Counsel & Secretary