

SWIFT VIRGIL N  
Form 5  
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**FORM 5**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
SWIFT VIRGIL N

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
SWIFT ENERGY CO [SFY]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director      \_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_\_\_ Officer (give title below)      \_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Director Emeritus

(Last)      (First)      (Middle)  
  
16825 NORTHCHASE DRIVE,  
SUITE 400  
  
(Street)

3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year)  
12/31/2007

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting

(check applicable line)

HOUSTON, TX 77060

Form Filed by One Reporting Person  
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(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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | (A) or (D) | Price | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|------------|-------|--|--|---|
| SFY Cmmn Stk-Family Member       | Â                                    | Â  | Â                              | Â   | Â          | Â     | 3,000  | I  | Held by Family Member                                 |
| SFY Cmmn Stock-By Other Holdings | Â                                    | Â  | Â                              | Â   | Â          | Â     | 37,000   | I  | held in Family Partnership                            |
|                                  | Â                                    | Â  | Â                              | Â   | Â          | Â     | 6,121  | I  | Held in IRA   |

SFY Cmmn  
Stock-IRA  
Holdings

Swift

Energy 12/17/2008 Â G 2,000 D \$ 0 120,049 D Â  
Common  
Stock

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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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of 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 of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. of D Se B O E Is Fi (I |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|---------------------------|
|  |  |                                      |  |                                | (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable Expiration Date                         | Title or Number of Shares                                     |  |                           |

## Reporting Owners

**Reporting Owner Name / Address**

**Relationships**

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SWIFT VIRGIL N  
16825 NORTHCHASE DRIVE, SUITE 400 Â Â Â Director Emeritus  
HOUSTON, TX 77060

## Signatures

Virgil N. Swift 02/13/2009

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).

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