SWIFT VIRGIL N Form 4 September 13, 2005

## FORM 4

#### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

SWIFT VIRGIL N		•	Symbol SWIFT ENERGY CO [SFY]				Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First) (N	(Montl	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/09/2005			_X_ Director Officer (give below)	10%	Owner or (specify	
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)				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)	(State)	(Zip) Ta	ble I - Non-I	Derivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, any (Month/Day/Yea	Code	4. Securion(A) or D (Instr. 3,	ispose 4 and (A) or	d of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	09/09/2005	09/09/2005	M	3,509	A	\$ 13.52	148,194	D	
Common Stock	09/09/2005	09/09/2005	F(1)	1,021	D	\$ 46.44	147,173	D	

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

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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 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 o Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 13.52	09/09/2005	09/09/2005	M		3,509	09/12/2003	09/12/2005	Common Stock	3,509
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 46.44	09/09/2005	09/09/2005	A(2)	1,021		09/08/2006	09/08/2007	Common Stock	1,021

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
1 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
SWIFT VIRGIL N							
	X						

# **Signatures**

Karen Bryant POA for Virgil N. Swift

09/13/2005

Date

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

## **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 1021 shares of common stock at \$46.44 per share, the closing price of issuer's common stock on 9-8-05.
- (2) Grant of reload option pursuant to plan.

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