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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Gaspar Clay M

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

below)

Symbol

NEWFIELD EXPLORATION CO

/DE/ [NFX]

(Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Last) (First) (Middle)

(Month/Day/Year) 02/08/2013

Officer (give title Other (specify

4 WATERWAY SQUARE PLACE, **STE 100**

VP-Mid-Continent

(Street)

(Instr. 3)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

THE WOODLANDS, TX 77380

(State) (Zip) (City) 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

4. Securities 3. TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

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

Conversion

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

5. Number of TransactionDerivative

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date**

7. Title and Amount of Underlying

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Security (Instr. 3)	•		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day/Year)		Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Unit	8.0	02/08/2013		A	9,600 (1)	04/15/2016	04/15/2018	common stock	9,600
Restricted Stock Unit	80	02/08/2013		A	15,300 (2)	08/15/2013	02/01/2016	common stock	15,300

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Gaspar Clay M

4 WATERWAY SQUARE PLACE, STE 100 THE WOODLANDS, TX 77380

VP-Mid-Continent

Signatures

/s/ Melissa L. Mong as attorney-in-fact for Clay M. Gaspar

02/12/2013

**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) The shares subject to this award have the possibility of vesting monthly, no earlier than April 15, 2016 and no later than April 15, 2018, and will only vest if certain performance criteria are met.
- (2) The shares subject to this award will vest in four equal installments on August 15, 2013, August 15, 2014, August 15, 2015 and February 1, 2016.

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