## PATINA OIL \& GAS CORP

Form 4
May 18, 2005

## FORM 4

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

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DENVER, CO 80202
5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
(Check all applicable)
_X_Director
$\overline{\text { below) }}$ Officer (give title $\quad 10 \%$ Owner
6. Other (specify
6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
_X_Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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. <br> 5. Number <br> Transactionf Derivative <br> Code Securities <br> (Instr. 8) Acquired <br> (A) or <br> Disposed of <br> (D) <br> (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) |  |  | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) |  | 7. Title and Amour Underlying Securit (Instr. 3 and 4) |  |
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|  |  |  |  | Code V | $V$ (A) | (D) | Date <br> Exercisable | Expiration <br> Date | Title | Amo <br> or <br> Num of Shar |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 26.23 | 05/16/2005 |  | D (2) |  | 7,500 | 03/15/2005 | 03/15/2009 | Common Stock | 7,5 |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 26.81 | 05/16/2005 |  | D (2) |  | 7,500 | 06/14/2005 | 06/14/2009 | Common Stock | 7,5 |

## Reporting Owners

## Reporting Owner Name / Address

## Relationships

Director 10\% Owner Officer Other

WHITNEY JON R<br>1625 BROADWAY, SUITE 2000 X<br>DENVER, CO 80202

## Signatures

/s/ Jon R.
Whitney
**Signature of
Reporting Person

05/18/2005
Date

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Pursuant to the terms of the Agreement and Plan of Merger dated as of December 15, 2005 by and among Noble Energy, Inc. ("Noble Energy"), Noble Energy Production, Inc. and Patina Oil \& Gas Corporation ("Patina") (the "Merger Agreement"), at the effective time of the merger contemplated therein, each outstanding share of Patina common stock, par value $\$ .01$ per share ("Patina Common Stock") was
(1) converted into the right to receive either a number of shares of Noble Energy common stock or an amount of cash, subject to possible allocation. The value of the merger consideration to be received with respect to each share of Patina common stock will be approximately $\$ 39.34$ per share for any shares of Patina common stock exchanged for cash and 0.6014 shares of Noble Energy common stock for each share of Patina common stock exchanged for Noble Energy common stock.
(2) Pursuant to the terms of the Merger Agreement, at the effective time of the merger contemplated therein, each Patina stock option that is outstanding and unexercised immediately prior to the effective time of the merger was converted automatically into a fully vested option to purchase Noble Energy common stock. The number of shares of Noble Energy common stock subject to the Noble Energy stock option is equal to the product of the number of shares of Patina common stock subject to the Patina stock option and the exchange ratio determined pursuant to the Merger Agreement of 0.6014, rounded down to the nearest whole share. The exercise per share of Noble Energy common stock subject to the new Noble Energy stock option is equal to the exercise price per share of Patina common stock


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under the Patina stock option divided by the exchange ratio, rounded up to the nearest whole cent.
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