#### RELIANT ENERGY INC

Form 5

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

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## ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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Form 4 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

Transactions Reported

| LIVENGOOD THOMAS C Syn  |   |   | 2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol RELIANT ENERGY INC [RRI]   |                      |   |     | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)                                     |  |   |  |
|---|---|---|---|----------------------|---|-----|--|--|---|--|
|   |   |   | ement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended<br>n/Day/Year)<br>/2007  |                      |   |     | Director _X_ Officer (giv  | Owner<br>er (specify   |   |  |
| FLOOR   | (Street)  |   | Sr Vice Pres & Controll mendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Repo Month/Day/Year) (check applicable line) |                      |   |     | orting   |  |   |  |
| HOUSTON, TX 77002  _X_ Form Filed by One Reporting Person Form Filed by More than One Reporting Person Person |   |   |   |                      |   |     |  |  |   |  |
| (City)  | (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned |   |   |                      |   |     |  |  |   |  |
| 1.Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)  | 2. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year)   | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3.<br>Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8)   | Acquired<br>Disposed | Securities equired (A) or sposed of (D) eastr. 3, 4 and 5)  (A) or enount (D) Price |     | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned at end<br>of Issuer's<br>Fiscal Year<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or<br>Indirect (I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |  |
| Common<br>Stock   | 12/31/2007  | Â   | G   | 400                  | D   | \$0 | 46,316 <u>(1)</u>  | D  | Â   |  |
| Common<br>Stock   | Â   | Â   | Â   | Â                    | Â   | Â   | 253  | I  | By 401(K)<br>Plan (2)                                 |  |
| Reminder: Reposecurities benef  |   |   |   |                      |   |     | SEC 2270<br>(9-02)   |  |   |  |

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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 | 2.          | 3. Transaction Date | 3A. Deemed         | 4.          | 5.         | 6. Date Exer | cisable and | 7. Titl   | le and   | 8. Price of |
|-------------|-------------|---------------------|--------------------|-------------|------------|--------------|-------------|-----------|----------|-------------|
| Derivative  | Conversion  | (Month/Day/Year)    | Execution Date, if | Transaction | Number     | Expiration D | ate         | Amou      | ınt of   | Derivative  |
| Security    | or Exercise |                     | any                | Code        | of         | (Month/Day/  | Year)       | Under     | rlying   | Security    |
| (Instr. 3)  | Price of    |                     | (Month/Day/Year)   | (Instr. 8)  | Derivative | e            |             | Secur     | ities    | (Instr. 5)  |
|             | Derivative  |                     |                    |             | Securities |              |             | (Instr.   | 3 and 4) |             |
|             | Security    |                     |                    |             | Acquired   |              |             |           |          |             |
|             | ·           |                     |                    |             | (A) or     |              |             |           |          |             |
|             |             |                     |                    |             | Disposed   |              |             |           |          |             |
|             |             |                     |                    |             | of (D)     |              |             |           |          |             |
|             |             |                     |                    |             | (Instr. 3, |              |             |           |          |             |
|             |             |                     |                    |             | 4, and 5)  |              |             |           |          |             |
|             |             |                     |                    |             |            |              |             |           |          |             |
|             |             |                     |                    |             |            |              |             |           | Amount   |             |
|             |             |                     |                    |             |            | Date         | Expiration  | <b></b> . | or       |             |
|             |             |                     |                    |             |            | -            | Date        | Title     | Number   |             |
|             |             |                     |                    |             |            |              |             |           | of       |             |
|             |             |                     |                    |             | (A) (D)    |              |             |           | Shares   |             |

of D

### **Reporting Owners**

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships |           |         |       |  |  |  |
|--------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|--|--|
|                                | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |  |  |  |

LIVENGOOD THOMAS C 1000 MAIN STREET 12TH FLOOR HOUSTON, TXÂ 77002

 $\hat{A}$   $\hat{A}$   $\hat{A}$  Sr Vice Pres & Controller  $\hat{A}$ 

### **Signatures**

Thomas C. Uivengood 02/11/2008

\*\*Signature of Date
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) Includes 1,757 shares acquired under the Reliant Energy, Inc. Employee Stock Purchase Plan.
- (2) Based on a plan statement as of December 31, 2007.

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