RELIANT ENERGY INC

Form 4

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

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * LIVENGOOD THOMAS C			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
			RELIANT ENERGY INC [RRI]			IJ	(Check all applicable)			
(Last) 1000 MAIN FLOOR	(First) (M	(Mont	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/19/2008				Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Sr Vice Pres & Controller			
	(Street) 4. If Amendm			ate Original	l		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
Filed(N			Filed(Month/Day/Year)				Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
HOUSTON,	TX 77002							More than One R		
(City)	(State) (Zip) T	able I - Non-I	Derivative :	Securi	ties Ac	quired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date any (Month/Day/Ye	Code (Instr. 8) Code V	⁷ Amount	(A) or (D)	9) 5) Price	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)	
Stock	02/19/2008		A	3,074	A	\$ 0	49,390	D		
Common Stock							253	I	By 401(K) Plan (1)	

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 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)	Code	5. Numbor Deriv Securitic Acquired (A) or Disposed (D) (Instr. 3, and 5)	rative es d d of	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 Number Shares
Employee Stock Option-Right To Buy	\$ 4.95						<u>(2)</u>	09/02/2012	Common Stock	30,00
Employee Stock Option-Right To Buy	\$ 3.505						(2)	03/10/2013	Common Stock	33,50
Employee Stock Option-Right To Buy	\$ 8.135						(2)	02/12/2014	Common Stock	108,80
Employee Stock Option-Right To Buy	\$ 16.26						(3)	02/19/2017	Common Stock	9,106
Employee Stock Option-Right To Buy	\$ 23.375	02/19/2008		A	6,588		<u>(4)</u>	02/18/2008	Common Stock	6,588

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
r g	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
LIVENGOOD THOMAS C								
1000 MAIN STREET			Sr Vice Pres & Controller					
12TH FLOOR			Si vice ries & Controller					
HOUSTON, TX 77002								

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Signatures

Thomas C.

Livengood 02/21/2008

**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) Based on a plan statement as of December 31, 2007.
- (2) All such stock options have vested.
- (3) 3,035 of such stock options have vested. The remaining 6,071 become exercisable in two equal annual installments beginning February 20, 2009.
- (4) These stock options vest in three equal annual installments beginning February 19, 2009.

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