

RELIANT ENERGY INC  
Form 8-K  
May 25, 2006

**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

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**FORM 8-K**

**CURRENT REPORT  
PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF  
THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

Date of report (Date of earliest event reported): **May 19, 2006**

**RELIANT ENERGY, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

**1-16455**  
(Commission File Number)

**76-0655566**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**1000 Main Street**  
**Houston, Texas**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**77002**  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(713) 497-3000**

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In this Current Report on Form 8-K (Form 8-K) and in the exhibit included as part of this report, Reliant Energy refers to Reliant Energy, Inc., and we, us and our refer to Reliant Energy and its subsidiaries.

**Item 1.01. Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.**

On May 19, 2006, we awarded each of our non-employee directors a grant of 6,000 shares of our restricted common stock in accordance with previously disclosed changes to our non-employee directors stock program. The grants are subject to a restricted stock agreement, the form of which is filed with this Form 8-K as exhibit 10.1.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits

10.1 Form of 2002 Long-Term Incentive Plan Restricted Stock Award Agreement for Directors

**SIGNATURE**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

**RELIANT ENERGY, INC.**  
(Registrant)

Date: May 25, 2006

By: /s/ Thomas C. Livengood  
Thomas C. Livengood  
*Senior Vice President and Controller*

**EXHIBIT INDEX**

| <b>Exhibit<br/>Number</b> | <b>Exhibit Description</b>   |
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