

JACOBS MARK M  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
JACOBS MARK M

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
1000 MAIN STREET  
(Street)

HOUSTON, TX 77002

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
RELIANT ENERGY INC [RRI]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
02/22/2005

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Executive VP and CFO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock	02/22/2005		A	12,744 A \$ 0 (1)	422,973 (2)	D	
Common Stock					539	I	401(K) Plan

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)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. F. Der. Sec. (Instr. 3)	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option - Right To Buy	\$ 4.79					(3) 07/28/2012	07/28/2012	Common Stock	179,334
Employee Stock Option - Right To Buy	\$ 4.79					(4) 07/28/2012	07/28/2012	Common Stock	139,333
Employee Stock Option - Right To Buy	\$ 3.505					(5) 03/10/2013	03/10/2013	Common Stock	212,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
JACOBS MARK M 1000 MAIN STREET HOUSTON, TX 77002			Executive VP and CFO	

## Signatures

Mark M. Jacobs                      02/24/2005

\*\*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).

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- (1) Performance shares granted for the 2002-2004 performance cycle
- (2) Includes 10,859 shares acquired under the Reliant Energy, Inc. Employee Stock Purchase Plan.
- (3) 119,556 of such stock options are vested. The remaining 59,778 stock options will vest on July 29, 2005.
- (4) 92,889 of such stock options are vested. The remaining 46,444 stock options will vest on July 29, 2005.
- (5) 70,666 of such stock options are vested. The remaining 141,334 stock options will vest in two equal installments on March 11, 2005 and March 11, 2006.

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