

Freysinger David S
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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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 Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section
 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Â Freysinger David S (Last) (First) (Middle) 1000 MAIN STREET, 12TH FLOOR (Street) HOUSTON, Â TX Â 77002 (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 02/21/2005	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol RELIANT ENERGY INC [RRI]	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other (give title below) (specify below) SVP, Generation Operations	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock	6,600	D	Â
Common Stock	717	I	401(K) Plan

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly. SEC 1473 (7-02)

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of	5. Ownership Form of Derivative	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Employee Stock Option-Right To Buy	Â (1)	03/05/2011	Common Stock	9,284	\$ 30	D	Â
Employee Stock Option-Right To Buy	Â (1)	02/29/2012	Common Stock	8,000	\$ 10.9	D	Â
Employee Stock Option-Right To Buy	Â (2)	03/30/2013	Common Stock	13,400	\$ 3.505	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Freysinger David S 1000 MAIN STREET, 12TH FLOOR HOUSTON, TX 77002	Â	Â	Â SVP, Generation Operations	Â

Signatures

s/David S.
Freysinger

03/03/2005

Signature of
Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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) All such stock options are vested.
- (2) 4,466 stock options have vested. The remaining 8,934 stock options will vest in two equal installments on March 11, 2005 and March 11, 2006.

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