

RELIANT ENERGY INC
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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)
02/20/2007

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)
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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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) Price | | | |
| Common Stock | 02/20/2007 | | A | 27,079 A \$ 0 | 579,507 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | 537 | I | By 401(k) Plan <u>(1)</u> |

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) | | |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|-------------------------|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount Number of Shares |
| Employee Stock Option-Right To Buy | \$ 4.79 | | | | | (2) 07/28/2012 | 07/28/2012 | Common Stock | 179,3 |
| Employee Stock Option-Right To Buy | \$ 4.79 | | | | | (2) 07/28/2012 | 07/28/2012 | Common Stock | 139,3 |
| Employee Stock Option-Right To Buy | \$ 3.505 | | | | | (2) 03/10/2013 | 03/10/2013 | Common Stock | 212,0 |
| Employee Stock Option-Right To Buy | \$ 8.135 | | | | | (2) 02/12/2014 | 02/12/2014 | Common Stock | 489,6 |
| Employee Stock Option-Right To Buy | \$ 16.26 | 02/20/2007 | | A | 58,026 | (3) 02/19/2017 | 02/19/2017 | Common Stock | 58,0 |

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 02/22/2007

**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, 2006.
- (2) All such stock options have vested.
- (3) These stock options vest in three equal annual installments beginning February 20, 2008.

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