

PEREZ LAREE E  
Form 4  
May 23, 2006

**FORM 4**

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

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
PEREZ LAREE E

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
05/19/2006

☒ Director ☐ 10% Owner  
☐ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify below)

HOUSTON, TX 77002

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

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

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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)
Common Stock	05/19/2006		A	6,000 (A) or (D)	\$ 0 (1) 20,865	D	

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)

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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. D S (I	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option-Right To Buy	\$ 3.515							<u>(2)</u>	03/12/2013	Common Stock	5,000
Stock Option-Right To Buy	\$ 9.84							<u>(3)</u>	06/02/2014	Common Stock	5,000
Stock Option - Right To Buy	\$ 12.465							<u>(4)</u>	06/07/2015	Common Stock	5,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
PEREZ LAREE E 1000 MAIN STREET HOUSTON, TX 77002		X		

## Signatures

/s/ Laree E.  
Perez

05/23/2006

\_\_\_\_\_  
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).

Comprised entirely of restricted stock. In accordance with the Director Compensation Program, amended by the Company's

(1) Compensation Committee in November 2005, each non-employee director of Reliant Energy, Inc. receives an annual grant of 6,000 shares of restricted stock under the terms of the Reliant Energy, Inc. 2002 Long Term Incentive Plan.

(2) All such stock options have vested.

(3) 1,666 of such stock options have vested. The remaining 3,334 become exercisable in two equal annual installments beginning June 2, 2006.

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(4) These stock options vest in three equal annual installments beginning June 7, 2006.

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