

VAALCO ENERGY INC /DE/  
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 \*  
**CUTRER GAYLA M**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**VAALCO ENERGY INC /DE/ [EGY]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
  
(Check all applicable)  
  
 Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
**Corporate Secretary**

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
  
**4600 POST OAK PLACE, SUITE 309**  
  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**04/13/2006**

**HOUSTON, TX 77027**

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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	04/13/2006		M		13,500	A	\$ 1.16
Common Stock	04/13/2006		S		13,500	D	\$ 7.58
Common Stock	04/17/2006		M		36,500	A	\$ 1.16
Common Stock	04/17/2006		S		36,500	D	\$ 7.5

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)	Amount or Number of Shares
Non Qualified Stock Option (Right to buy)	\$ 1.16	04/13/2006		M	13,500	12/15/2004 <sup>(1)</sup> 12/15/2006	Common Stock	13,500
Non Qualified Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 1.16	04/17/2006		S	36,500	12/15/2004 12/15/2006	Common Stock	36,500

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
CUTRER GAYLA M 4600 POST OAK PLACE SUITE 309 HOUSTON, TX 77027			Corporate Secretary	

## Signatures

Gayla M. Cutrer 04/17/2006  
 \*\*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).
- (1) Refer to Form 4 dated 02/02/2005 for vesting and expiration schedule

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