

HELMERICH & PAYNE INC  
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 \*  
HELMERICH W H III

(Last) (First) (Middle)

1437 SOUTH BOULDER AVE.

(Street)

TULSA, OK 74119

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
HELMERICH & PAYNE INC [HP]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
06/13/2008

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)

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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	06/13/2008		S		500	D	\$ 67.33
							2,571,280
							D <sup>(1)</sup>
Common Stock	06/13/2008		S		600	D	\$ 67.32
							2,570,680
							D <sup>(1)</sup>
Common Stock	06/13/2008		S		600	D	\$ 67.31
							2,570,080
							D <sup>(1)</sup>
Common Stock	06/13/2008		S		600	D	\$ 67.3
							2,569,480
							D <sup>(1)</sup>
Common Stock	06/13/2008		S		100	D	\$ 67.28
							2,569,380
							D <sup>(1)</sup>
	06/13/2008		S		2,600	D	
							2,566,780
							D <sup>(1)</sup>

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Common Stock						\$ 67.27		
Common Stock	06/13/2008	S	600	D	\$ 66.9	2,566,180	D <sup>(1)</sup>	
Common Stock	06/13/2008	S	4,400	D	\$ 66.85	2,561,780	D <sup>(1)</sup>	
Common Stock	06/13/2008	S	300	D	\$ 66.73	2,561,480	D <sup>(1)</sup>	
Common Stock	06/13/2008	S	1,300	D	\$ 66.72	2,560,180	D <sup>(1)</sup>	
Common Stock	06/13/2008	S	100	D	\$ 66.64	2,560,080	D <sup>(1)</sup>	
Common Stock	06/13/2008	S	300	D	\$ 66.61	2,559,780	D <sup>(1)</sup>	
Common Stock	06/13/2008	S	1,400	D	\$ 66.59	2,558,380	D <sup>(1)</sup>	
Common Stock	06/13/2008	S	900	D	\$ 66.58	2,557,480	D <sup>(1)</sup>	
Common Stock	06/13/2008	S	3,900	D	\$ 66.57	2,553,580	D <sup>(1)</sup>	
Common Stock	06/13/2008	S	900	D	\$ 66.56	2,552,680	D <sup>(1)</sup>	
Common Stock	06/13/2008	S	900	D	\$ 66.55	2,551,780	D <sup>(1)</sup>	

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. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 6)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Title			

Date	Expiration	Amount
Exercisable	Date	or
		Number
		of
		Shares

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
HELMERICH W H III 1437 SOUTH BOULDER AVE. TULSA, OK 74119		X		

## Signatures

/s/ W. H.  
Helmerich, III

06/16/2008

\*\*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) Includes 240,000 shares of common stock held indirectly through charitable foundations.

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