

HELIX ENERGY SOLUTIONS GROUP 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**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, 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 \*  
**FERRON MARTIN R**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**HELIX ENERGY SOLUTIONS GROUP INC [HELX]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
**400 N SAM HOUSTON PARKWAY E, SUITE 400**  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**05/25/2006**

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
**PRESIDENT**

**HOUSTON, TX 77060**

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	05/25/2006		M		5,655	A	\$ 9.32
					198,126 <sup>(1)</sup>	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.
Stock Option (Option to Buy)	\$ 9.32	05/25/2006		M	5,655	03/17/2003 03/17/2013	Common Stock	5,655

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
FERRON MARTIN R 400 N SAM HOUSTON PARKWAY E SUITE 400 HOUSTON, TX 77060	X		PRESIDENT	

## Signatures

/s/ James Lewis Connor, III by Power of Attorney  
 Date: 05/25/2006

\_\_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) Mr. Ferron's direct holdings include 4,919 shares held through the Company's Employee Stock Purchase Plan. Mr. Ferron also has indirect holdings of 44,340 shares owned by Uncle John Limited Partnership, the general partner of which is an entity that Mr. Ferron controls.
- (2) This option was granted pursuant to the Company's 1995 Long Term Incentive Plan, as amended, and therefore has no purchase or sales price.

### Remarks:

The filing of this statement shall not be deemed an admission that any reporting person is, for purposes of section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, a reporting person.

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