

# HELMERICH & PAYNE, INC.

Reported by  
**TARDIO JUAN PABLO**

## FORM 3

(Initial Statement of Beneficial Ownership)

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Address	1437 S. BOULDER AVE. SUITE 1400 TULSA, OK, 74119
Telephone	918-742-5531
CIK	0000046765
Symbol	HP
SIC Code	1381 - Drilling Oil and Gas Wells
Industry	Oil & Gas Drilling
Sector	Energy
Fiscal Year	09/30

## INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *			2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (MM/DD/YYYY)		3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol		
<b>Tardio Juan Pablo</b>			<b>4/30/2010</b>		<b>HELMERICH &amp; PAYNE INC [HP]</b>		
(Last) (First) (Middle)			4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
<b>1437 SOUTH BOULDER AVENUE, SUITE 1400</b>			<input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below) <b>VP &amp; CFO /</b>				
(Street)			5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (MM/DD/YYYY)		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)		
<b>TULSA, OK 74119</b>					<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(City) (State) (Zip)							

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
<b>Common Stock</b>	<b>11334</b>	<b>D</b>	
<b>Common Stock</b>	<b>1129</b>	<b>I</b>	<b>401(k) account</b>

**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned ( e.g. , puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

1. Title of Derivate Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (MM/DD/YYYY)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares			
<b>Stock Option (right to buy)</b>	<b>12/5/2009</b> <a href="#">(1)</a>	<b>12/5/2016</b>	<b>Common Stock</b>	<b>3000</b>	<b>\$26.895</b>	<b>D</b>	
<b>Stock Option (right to buy)</b>	<b>12/4/2008</b> <a href="#">(2)</a>	<b>12/4/2017</b>	<b>Common Stock</b>	<b>6000</b>	<b>\$35.105</b>	<b>D</b>	
<b>Stock Option (right to buy)</b>	<b>12/2/2009</b> <a href="#">(3)</a>	<b>12/2/2018</b>	<b>Common Stock</b>	<b>7000</b>	<b>\$21.065</b>	<b>D</b>	
<b>Stock Option (right to buy)</b>	<b>12/1/2010</b> <a href="#">(4)</a>	<b>12/1/2019</b>	<b>Common Stock</b>	<b>9000</b>	<b>\$38.015</b>	<b>D</b>	

**Explanation of Responses:**

- The options were granted under the Helmerich & Payne, Inc. 2005 Long-Term Incentive Plan on 12/5/06. Options to purchase 3,000 shares remain under said grant, 1,500 of which are vested and became exercisable on 12/5/09 (the noted date) and 1,500 vest and become exercisable on 12/5/10.
- The options were granted under the Helmerich & Payne, Inc. 2005 Long-Term Incentive Plan on 12/4/07. The options vest ratably over a four year period commencing on the anniversary date of the grant.
- The options were granted under the Helmerich & Payne, Inc. 2005 Long-Term Incentive Plan on 12/2/08. The options vest ratably over a four year period commencing on the anniversary date of the grant.
- The options were granted under the Helmerich & Payne, Inc. 2005 Long-Term Incentive Plan on 12/1/09. The options vest ratably over a four year period commencing on the anniversary date of the grant.



**POWER OF ATTORNEY**  
(For Executing Forms 3, 4, and 5)

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints each of Steven R. Mackey, Cathy C. Olaniyan, Jonathan M. Cinocca, Cara

M. Hair, and Judy E. Kidd signing singly, his/her true and lawful attorney-in-fact to:

- (1) execute for and on behalf of the undersigned Forms 3, 4, and 5 in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules thereunder;
- (2) do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete the execution of any such Form 3, 4, or 5 and the timely filing of such Form with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission and any other authority; and
- (3) take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be of benefit to, in the best interest of, or legally required by the undersigned, it being understood that the documents executed by such attorney-in-fact on behalf of the undersigned pursuant to this Power of Attorney shall be in such form and shall contain such terms and conditions as such attorney-in-fact may approve in his/her discretion.

The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary, and proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorney-in-fact or his substitute or substitutes shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this Power of Attorney and the rights and powers herein granted. The undersigned acknowledges that the foregoing attorneys-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, are not assuming any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

The undersigned agrees that each such attorney-in-fact herein may rely entirely on information furnished orally or in writing by the undersigned to such attorney-in-fact. The undersigned also agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Company and each such attorney-in-fact against any losses, claims, damages or liabilities (or actions in these respects) that arise out of or are based upon any untrue statements or omission of necessary facts in the information provided by the undersigned to such attorney-in fact for purposes of executing, acknowledging, delivering or filing Forms 3, 4 or 5 (including amendments thereto) or Form ID and agrees to reimburse the Company and such attorney-in-fact for any legal or other expenses reasonably incurred in connection with investigating or defending against any such loss, claim, damage, liability or action.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of attorney to be executed as of this 4th day of May, 2010.

**Signature**

*/s/ Juan Pablo Tardio*

**CERTIFICATION**

The undersigned hereby certifies that he/she has read and understands, and agrees to comply with, the Company's insider trading policy, a copy of which was distributed with this Certification form.

Dated: May 4, 2010

**Signature**

*/s/ Juan Pablo Tardio  
Vice President and Chief*

*Financial Officer*