

HELMERICH & PAYNE, INC.

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HELM GORDON K

FORM 4

(Statement of Changes in Beneficial Ownership)

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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 or
Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * HELM GORDON K (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]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> Director _____ 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> X Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below) Controller
3. Date of Earliest Transaction (MM/DD/YYYY) <p align="center">2/14/2005</p>		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (MM/DD/YYYY)		

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Trans. Date	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	3. Trans. 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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	2/14/2005		M		1000	A	\$19.8345	9867	D	(U)
Common Stock	2/14/2005		S		100	D	\$39.59	9767	D	(U)
Common Stock	2/14/2005		S		500	D	\$39.58	9267	D	(U)
Common Stock	2/14/2005		S		400	D	\$39.57	8867	D	(U)
Common Stock	2/15/2005		M		3000	A	\$19.8345	11867	D	(U)
Common Stock	2/15/2005		S		1000	D	\$39.87	10867	D	(U)
Common Stock	2/15/2005		S		1000	D	\$39.79	9867	D	(U)
Common Stock	2/15/2005		S		1000	D	\$39.48	8867	D	(U)

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

1. Title of Derivate Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Trans. Date	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Trans. 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		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Common Stock (right to buy)	\$19.8345	2/14/2005		M		1000		12/4/1997 (2)	12/4/2006	Common Stock	1000	\$0.00	4519	D	
Common Stock (right to buy)	\$19.8345	2/15/2005		M		3000		12/4/1997 (2)	12/4/2006	Common Stock	3000	\$0.00	1519	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- (1) Includes approximately 3,533 shares indirectly held in the reporting person's 401(k) account at January 31, 2005.
- (2) These options were granted under the Helmerich & Payne, Inc. 1990 Stock Option Plan on 12/4/96 at an exercise price of \$52.125 pre-split and \$26.0625 post-split, and \$19.8345 post-spinoff. These options vested over five years in 20% increments. The noted dated represents the first date options vested.

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
HELM GORDON K 1437 SOUTH BOULDER AVE. TULSA, OK 74119			Controller	

Signatures

Jonathan M. Cinocca, by Power of Attorney for Gordon K. Helm

2/15/2005

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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