

# HELMERICH & PAYNE, INC.

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**HELMERICH W H III**

## FORM 4

(Statement of Changes in Beneficial Ownership)

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| Address     | 1437 S. BOULDER AVE. SUITE 1400<br>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   |

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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|---|--|---|--|---|--|
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * |  | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol       |  | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)   |  |
| HELMERICH W H III                         |  | HELMERICH & PAYNE INC [ HP ]                      |  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director _____ 10% Owner<br><input type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below) |  |
| (Last) (First) (Middle)                   |  | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (MM/DD/YYYY)      |  |   |  |
| 1437 SOUTH BOULDER AVE.                   |  | 8/23/2005   |  |   |  |
| (Street)                                  |  | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (MM/DD/YYYY) |  | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)   |  |
| TULSA, OK 74119                           |  |   |  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person<br><input type="checkbox"/> 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. 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                    | 8/23/2005      |                                   | G                         | V | 25000   | D          | \$0.00 | 1580480   | 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 |  |  |  |  |

### Explanation of Responses:

(1) Includes 120,000 shares of common stock held indirectly through charitable foundations.

### Reporting Owners

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

### Signatures

/s/ W. H. Helmerich, III

8/24/2005

\*\*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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