

HELMERICH & PAYNE, INC. Reported by HELM GORDON K

FORM 4

(Statement of Changes in 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
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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				
1 0		(Check all applicable)				
HELM GORDON K	HELMERICH & PAYNE INC [HP]					
(Last) (First) (Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (MM/DD/YYYY)	Director10% Owner				
		X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)				
1437 SOUTH BOULDER AVE.	8/2/2005	Controller				
1437 SOUTH BOULDER AVE. (Street)	01_1_000	Controller 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)				

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	(Instr. 8)		4. Securit Disposed (Instr. 3,	of (D)	ired (A) or	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	Form:	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		or Indirect (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	8/2/2005		М		640	А	\$18.8356	9600	D (1)	
Common Stock	8/2/2005		s		440	D	\$59.90	9160	D (1)	
Common Stock	8/2/2005		s		200	D	\$59.93	8960	D (1)	
Common Stock	8/2/2005		М		7300	Α	\$24.5909	16260	D (1)	
Common Stock	8/2/2005		s		2500	D	\$59.93	13760	D (1)	
Common Stock	8/2/2005		s		2500	D	\$59.90	11260	D (1)	
Common Stock	8/2/2005		S		2300	D	\$60.00	8960	D (1)	

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

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(Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative		 4. Trans. ((Instr. 8)		Derivati Acquire Dispose	cquired (A) or		Securities Underlying Derivative Security		Derivative Security	curity Securities Instr. 5) Beneficially Owned		11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
	Security		Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$18.8356	8/2/2005	М			640	12/1/2000 (2)	12/1/2009	Common Stock	640	\$0.00	0	D	
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$24.5909	8/2/2005	М			7300	12/6/2001 <u>(3)</u>	12/6/2010	Common Stock	7300	\$0.00	5840	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- (1) Includes approximately 3,626 shares indirectly held in the reporting person's 401(k) account.
- (2) These options were granted under the Helmerich & Payne, Inc. 1996 Stock Incentive Plan on 12/1/99 at an exercise price of \$24.75, or \$18.8356 postspinoff. These options vested over four years in 25% increments. The noted dated represents the first date options vested.
- (3) These options were granted under the Helmerich & Payne, Inc. 1996 Stock Incentive Plan on 12/6/00 at an exercise price of \$32.3125, or \$24.5909 post-spinoff. These options vested over four years in 25% increments. The noted dated represents the first date options vested.

Reporting Owners

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

Signatures

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

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

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