HELMERICH & PAYNE INC

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FORM 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * DOTSON GEORGE S			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol HELMERICH & PAYNE INC [HP]				s	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction					(Check all applicable)			
` '	TH BOULDER	·	(Month/ 05/09/2	Day/Ye				_	_X Director _X Officer (give t elow)		Owner r (specify
	4. If Amendment, Date Original 6					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check					
TULSA, C	05/09/2005					Applicable Line) X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tal	ole I - N	lon-l	Derivative	Secui	rities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Dat (Month/Day/Year)		Date, if	3. Transa Code (Instr.	8)	4. Securit nor Dispos (Instr. 3, 4	ed of		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)
Common Stock	05/09/2005			M		10,000	A	\$ 10.6545	78,852	D (1)	
Common Stock	05/09/2005			S		10,000	D	\$ 42	68,852	D (1)	
Common Stock	05/09/2005			G	V	1,000	D	\$0	67,852	D (1)	

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)

1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4. 5. Number of		6. Date Exercisable and		7. Title and Amount	
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	TransactionDerivative		Expiration Date		Underlying Securities	
Security	or Exercise		any	Code Securities		(Month/Day/Year)		(Instr. 3 and 4)	
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 8) Acquired (A)				
	Derivative				or Disposed of				
	Security				(D)				
				(Instr. 3, 4,					
					and 5)				
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amour or Numbe
				Code V	(A) (D)				of Shar
Common Stock								Common	
(right to buy)	\$ 10.6545	05/09/2005		M	10,000	12/06/1996 <u>(2)</u>	12/06/2005	Stock	10,00

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
DOTSON GEORGE S							
1437 SOUTH BOULDER AVE.	X		Vice President				
TULSA, OK 74119							

Signatures

Jonathan M. Cinocca, by Power of Attorney for George S.

Dotson 05/27/2005

**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) Includes the following shares held indirectly: 5,089 shares in the reporting person's 401(k) account; and 35,554 shares with respect to which beneficial ownership is disclaimed as such shares are owned by the reporting person's spouse.
- These options were granted under the Helmerich & Payne, Inc. 1990 Stock Option Plan (Rule 16b-3) on 12/6/95 at an exercise price of \$28.00, \$14.00 post stock-split, and finally adjusted to \$10.6545 post-spinoff. These options vested over 5 years in 20% increments. The noted date is the date options first vested.

Remarks:

This Form 4 Amendment is filed solely for the purpose of correcting the "Date of Earliest Transaction" in Box 3 above Table 1 Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.

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