HELMERICH & PAYNE INC

Form 4

December 06, 2007

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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Stock

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Common

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12/06/2007

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * HELMERICH W H III	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
	HELMERICH & PAYNE INC [HP]	(Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First) (Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction				
	(Month/Day/Year)	X Director 10% Owner			
1437 SOUTH BOULDER AVE.	12/06/2007	Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)			
(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
	Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
TULSA, OK 74119		Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

TULSA, UK	. /4119						Person		
(City)	(State) ((Zip) Table	e I - Non-Do	erivative	Secur	ities Acqu	uired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securin(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	spose	d of (D)	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	12/06/2007		S	300	D	\$ 36.07	2,650,580	D (1)	
Common Stock	12/06/2007		S	1,000	D	\$ 36.06	2,649,580	D (1)	
Common	12/06/2007		S	5,300	D	\$ 36.05	2,644,280	D (1)	

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Common Stock					\$ 36.02		
Common Stock	12/06/2007	S	2,200	D	\$ 36.01	2,637,980	D (1)
Common Stock	12/06/2007	S	7,100	D	\$ 36	2,630,880	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 Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired	3	ate	Amor Unde Secur	le and unt of rlying rities . 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo
	·			(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)						Repo Trans (Instr
			Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
reporting 6 wher runne, runness	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
HELMERICH W H III 1437 SOUTH BOULDER AVE. TULSA, OK 74119	X						

Signatures

/s/ W. H. Helmerich, III	12/06/200		
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date		

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- * 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 240,000 shares of common stock held indirectly through charitable foundations.

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