#### HELM GORDON K

Form 4

August 02, 2005

### FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * HELM GORDON K			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol HELMERICH & PAYNE INC [HP]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check an applicable)		
			(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner		
1437 SOUTH BOULDER AVE.			08/01/2005	X Officer (give title Other (specify below)		
				Controller		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
THE CA OV	74110		Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting		
TULSA, OK 74119				Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative	Secui	rities Acquir	ed, 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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit 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	08/01/2005		M	12,500	A	\$ 18.8356	21,460	D (1)	
Common Stock	08/01/2005		S	2,500	D	\$ 59.61	18,960	D (1)	
Common Stock	08/01/2005		S	2,500	D	\$ 59.6	16,460	D (1)	
Common Stock	08/01/2005		S	1,000	D	\$ 59.46	15,460	D (1)	
Common Stock	08/01/2005		S	100	D	\$ 59.47	15,360	D (1)	

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Common Stock	08/01/2005	S	1,400	D	\$ 59.42	13,960	D (1)
Common Stock	08/01/2005	S	2,500	D	\$ 59.2	11,460	D (1)
Common Stock	08/01/2005	S	2,500	D	\$ 59.27	8,960	D (1)

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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)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. 5. Number of TransactiorDerivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		tive Expiration Date ies (Month/Day/Year) ed (A) posed of		7. Title and Amount o Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Share
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 18.8356	08/01/2005		M	12,500	12/01/2000(2)	12/01/2009	Common Stock	12,500

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Kelationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
HELM GORDON K							

1437 SOUTH BOULDER AVE.

Controller

Deletionships

**TULSA, OK 74119** 

# **Signatures**

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

08/02/2005

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

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# **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 approximately 3,626 shares indirectly held in the reporting person's 401(k) account.
- 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 post-spinoff. These options vested over four years in 25% increments. The noted dated represents the first date options vested.

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