MACKEY STEVEN R

Form 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * MACKEY STEVEN R			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)	Director 10% Owner		
1437 SOUTH BOULDER AVE.			12/05/2005	_X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)		
				Vice Pres., General Counsel		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line)		
TULSA, OK	74119			_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting		
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(City)	(State) (Z	Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative S	Securi	ties Ac	quired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi onAcquired Disposed (Instr. 3,	l (A) o l 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	12/05/2005		A	5,000	A	\$0	10,756	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)

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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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4,	Derivative Expiration Date Securities (Month/Day/Year) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	and 5) (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amour or Numbe of Shar
Common Stock (right to	\$ 60.475	12/05/2005		A	15,000	12/05/2006(2)	12/05/2015	Common Stock	15,00

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MACKEY STEVEN R 1437 SOUTH BOULDER AVE. TULSA, OK 74119

Vice Pres., General Counsel

Signatures

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/s/ Jonathan M. Cinocca, by Power of Attorney for Steven R. Mackey

12/06/2005

**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 1756 shares held indirectly in the reporting person's 401(k) account.
- These options were granted under the Helmerich & Payne, Inc. 2000 Stock Incentive Plan on 12/05/05. These options vest over 4 years in 25% increments. The noted date represents the first date options vest and become exercisable.

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