

EICHLER RODNEY J
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
EICHLER RODNEY J

(Last) (First) (Middle)
2000 POST OAK BOULEVARD,
SUITE 100

(Street)

HOUSTON, TX 77056

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
APACHE CORP [APA]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
05/03/2010

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)
Co-COO and President / - International

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially 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. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| | | | Code | V | Amount (A) or (D) Price | | |
| Common Stock ⁽¹⁾ | 05/03/2010 | | M | | 1,328 A \$ 55.62 | 26,196.402 | D |
| Common Stock ⁽¹⁾ | 05/03/2010 | | S | | 1,328 D \$ 101.95 | 24,868.402 | D |
| Common Stock ⁽¹⁾ | | | | | | 12,802.522 | I Held by Trustee of 401(k) Plan |

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) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Phantom Stock Units ⁽²⁾ | \$ 0 ⁽²⁾ | 05/04/2010 | | M | 1,275 | ⁽³⁾ ⁽³⁾ | Common Stock ⁽¹⁾ | 1,275 |
| Phantom Stock Units ⁽²⁾ | \$ 0 ⁽²⁾ | 05/04/2010 | | M | 1,150 | ⁽⁴⁾ ⁽⁴⁾ | Common Stock ⁽¹⁾ | 1,150 |
| Restricted Stock / Units ⁽⁵⁾ | \$ 0 ⁽⁶⁾ | 05/04/2010 | | M | 1,275 | ⁽⁷⁾ ⁽⁷⁾ | Common Stock ⁽¹⁾ | 1,275 |
| Restricted Stock / Units ⁽⁵⁾ | \$ 0 ⁽⁶⁾ | 05/04/2010 | | M | 1,150 | ⁽⁸⁾ ⁽⁸⁾ | Common Stock ⁽¹⁾ | 1,150 |
| Option (Buy \$55.62) ⁽⁵⁾ | \$ 55.62 | 05/03/2010 | | M | 1,328 | 08/02/2005 05/03/2010 | Common Stock ⁽¹⁾ | 1,328 |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

EICHLER RODNEY J
2000 POST OAK BOULEVARD, SUITE 100
HOUSTON, TX 77056

Co-COO and President - International

Signatures

Cheri L. Peper, Attorney-in-Fact
05/04/2010

 **Signature of Reporting Person

 Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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The shares of common stock of Apache are deemed to also represent certain preferred stock purchase rights ('Rights'). The Rights are not currently exercisable or separately tradable and presently are evidenced by certificates for shares of the common stock. Value attributable to such Rights, if any, is reflected in the market price of the common stock.

- (1) One share of Apache common stock for each phantom stock unit.
- (2) Exempt acquisition pursuant to Rule 16b-3(d). Accrued under the deferred compensation provisions of Apache's Deferred Delivery Plan - effective as of 05/01/2010. Data provided by the plan administrator on 05/04/2010.
- (3) Exempt acquisition pursuant to Rule 16b-3(d). Accrued under the deferred compensation provisions of Apache's Deferred Delivery Plan - effective as of 05/03/2010. Data provided by the plan administrator on 05/04/2010.
- (4) With tandem tax withholding right
- (5) One share of Apache common stock for each restricted stock unit.
- (6) Vesting on 05/01/2010 of restricted stock units under employer plan - data provided by plan administrator on 05/04/2010 Vesting occurs 25% per year over four years.
- (7) Vesting on 05/03/2010 of restricted stock units under employer plan - data provided by plan administrator on 05/04/2010 Vesting occurs 25% per year over four years.
- (8)

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