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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * PEPER CHERI L

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

(Middle)

APACHE CORP [APA]

(Check all applicable)

(First) ONE POST OAK CENTRAL, 2000 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

POST OAK BOULEVARD, SUITE

05/08/2008

below) Corporate Secretary

100

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Instr. 8)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

(Instr. 4)

HOUSTON, TX 77056-4400

(State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)

(City)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership

(Instr. 4)

Reported (A) or

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

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

Conversion

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

5. Number

6. Date Exercisable and (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction of Derivative Expiration Date

7. Title and Amount of **Underlying Securities**

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| Security (Instr. 3) | or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | | any (Month/Day/Year) | Code (Instr. 8) | Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | | | (Instr. 3 and 4) | |
|---|---|------------|-------------------------|-----------------|---|---------------------|--------------------|---------------------|--|
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Conditional Grant (\$162 Threshold) | \$ 0 (1) | 05/08/2008 | | A | 1,040 | <u>(1)</u> | 12/31/2010 | Common Stock (2) | 1,040 |
| Conditional Grant (\$216 Theshold) | \$ 0 (3) | 05/08/2008 | | A | 1,550 | (3) | 12/31/2012 | Common Stock (2) | 1,550 |
| Option (Buy \$135.83) (4) | \$ 135.83 | 05/08/2008 | | A | 1,332 | (5) | 05/07/2018 | Common Stock (2) | 1,332 |
| Restricted Stock Units | \$ 0 (6) | 05/08/2008 | | A | 1,300 | <u>(7)</u> | <u>(7)</u> | Common Stock (2) | 1,300 |

Reporting Owners

| Relationships | | | | | |
|---------------|-----------|-----------|---------------------------------------|--|--|
| Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | |
| | | | | | |
| | | Corporate | | | |
| | | Secretary | | | |
| | | | | | |
| | Director | | Director 10% Owner Officer Corporate | | |

Signatures

| Cheri L. Peper | 05/12/2008 | | | |
|------------------|------------|--|--|--|
| **Signature of | Date | | | |
| Reporting Person | | | | |

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).
- Payable if Apache common stock attains the per share price threshold by 12/31/2010. If threshold is attained, will be paid over five vesting dates: within 30 days after the date on which the price threshold is attained, and the dates 12 months, 24 months, 36 months, and 48 months following such date of attainment.
- 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.

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Payable if Apache common stock attains the per share price threshold by 12/31/2012. If threshold is attained, will be paid over five vesting dates: within 30 days after the date on which the price threshold is attained, and the dates 12 months, 24 months, 36 months, and 48 months following such date of attainment.

- (4) With tandem tax withholding right
- (5) Stock option granted 05/07/2008 under employer plan data received from the plan administrator on 05/08/2008. Exercisable ratably over four years beginning 05/07/2009.
- (6) One share of Apache common stock for each restricted stock unit.
- (7) Restricted units granted 05/07/2008 under employer plan data received from plan administrator on 05/08/2008. The units vest 25% per year on 06/01/2009, 05/07/2010, 05/07/2011 and 05/07/2012.

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