PEPER CHERI L Form 4 January 20, 2011

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).

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * PEPER CHERI L | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol APACHE CORP [APA] | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) | | | |
|---|---------|----------|--|--|--|--|--|
| (Last) | (First) | (Middle) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction | (Check an applicable) | | | |
| 2000 POST OAK BLVD., SUITE 100 | | | (Month/Day/Year) 01/19/2011 | Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Corporate Secretary | | | |
| (Street) | | | 4. If Amendment, Date Original | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check | | | |
| HOUSTON, TX 77056 | | | Filed(Month/Day/Year) | Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | |

| (City) | (State) | (Zip) Table | e I - Non-D | erivative | Secur | ities Acqu | ired, Disposed of, | or Beneficiall | y Owned |
|--------------------------------------|---|---|-------------|---|-----------|--------------|---|---|---------|
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | . Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | | 3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) | | | Securities Ownership Beneficially Form: Direct Owned (D) or | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
| | | | Code V | Amount | or (D) | Price | (Instr. 3 and 4) | | |
| Common Stock (1) | 01/19/2011 | | M(2) | 433 | A | \$0 | 2,954 | D | |
| Common Stock (1) | 01/19/2011 | | F(3) | 133 | D | \$ 125.63 | 2,821 | D | |

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number Doof 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) | | 8. Pri Deriv Secui (Instr |
|---|---|---|---|--|---|--|--------------------|---|--|------------------------------------|
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | |
| Restricted Stock / Units (4) | \$ 0 | 01/19/2011 | | M | 433 | 01/15/2011 | <u>(5)</u> | Common Stock (1) | 433 | \$ |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

PEPER CHERI L 2000 POST OAK BLVD. SUITE 100

Corporate Secretary

HOUSTON, TX 77056

Signatures

Cheri L. Peper 01/20/2011

**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).
- 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.
- (2) Vesting on 01/15/2011 of restricted stock units under employer plan data provided by plan administrator on 01/19/2011.
- (3) Shares withheld to cover required tax withholding on vesting of restricted stock units effective as of 01/15/2011 data provided by plan administrator on 01/19/2011.
- (4) With tandem tax withholding right
- (5) Granted under employer plan on 01/15/2010. Units vest 1/3 on 01/15/2010, 01/15/2011, and 01/15/2012.

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