

Leon Alfonso  
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**FORM 3 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

|   |         |                                      |  |  |
|---|---------|--------------------------------------|--|--|
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *               |         | 2. Date of Event Requiring Statement | 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol                                |  |
| Â Leon Alfonso  |         | (Month/Day/Year)                     | APACHE CORP [APA]  |  |
| (Last)  | (First) | (Middle)                             | 11/17/2010   |  |
| C/O APACHE CORPORATION,Â 2000 POST OAK BLVD., SUITE 100 |         |                                      | 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer                           | 5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)                   |
| (Street)  |         |                                      | (Check all applicable)   |  |
| HOUSTON,Â TXÂ 77056                                     |         |                                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner       | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)             |
| (City)  | (State) | (Zip)                                | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person |
|   |         |                                      | (give title below) (specify below)   | <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person  |
|   |         |                                      | Vice President, Planning, / Strategy & Inv Relations                       |  |

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 4) | 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4) | 3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
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Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | 2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | 4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) | 6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
|--|--|---|--|--|---|
|  | Date Exercisable      Expiration Date                    | Title      Amount or Number of  |  |  |   |

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|  |                                     |                             | Shares |                     | or Indirect<br>(I)<br>(Instr. 5) |           |
|--|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------|---------------------|----------------------------------|-----------|
| Restricted Stock / Units <sup>(1)</sup> $\hat{A}$ <sup>(3)</sup> | $\hat{A}$ <sup>(3)</sup>            | Common Stock <sup>(4)</sup> | 9,471  | \$ 0 <sup>(2)</sup> | D                                | $\hat{A}$ |
| Conditional Grant / (\$162 Threshold)                            | $\hat{A}$ <sup>(5)</sup> 12/31/2010 | Common Stock <sup>(4)</sup> | 920    | \$ 0 <sup>(5)</sup> | D                                | $\hat{A}$ |
| Conditional Grant / (\$216 Theshold)                             | $\hat{A}$ <sup>(6)</sup> 12/31/2012 | Common Stock <sup>(4)</sup> | 1,690  | \$ 0 <sup>(6)</sup> | D                                | $\hat{A}$ |
| Option (Buy \$82.55) <sup>(1)</sup>                              | $\hat{A}$ <sup>(7)</sup> 05/06/2019 | Common Stock <sup>(4)</sup> | 3,670  | \$ 82.55            | D                                | $\hat{A}$ |
| Option (Buy \$99.30) <sup>(1)</sup>                              | $\hat{A}$ <sup>(8)</sup> 05/05/2020 | Common Stock <sup>(4)</sup> | 2,829  | \$ 99.3             | D                                | $\hat{A}$ |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |                                     |                          |
|---|---------------|-----------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                             | Other                    |
| Leon Alfonso<br>C/O APACHE CORPORATION<br>2000 POST OAK BLVD., SUITE 100<br>HOUSTON, TX 77056 | $\hat{A}$     | $\hat{A}$ | $\hat{A}$ Vice President, Planning, | Strategy & Inv Relations |

## Signatures

Alfonso Leon 11/22/2010

<sup>\*\*</sup>Signature of  
Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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) With tandem tax withholding right

(2) One share of Apache common stock for each restricted stock unit.

(3) Restricted stock units granted under employer plan. The units vest ratably over four years beginning one year from the date of grant.

(4) 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.

(5) 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.

(6) 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.

(7) Exercisable ratably over four years beginning 05/06/2010.

(8) Exercisable ratably over four years beginning 05/05/2011.

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *See* Instruction 6 for procedure.

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