HELMERICH & PAYNE INC Form 8-K May 29, 2008

UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15 (d)

OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Earliest Event Reported: May 23, 2008

HELMERICH & PAYNE, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

State of Incorporation: Delaware

COMMISSION FILE NUMBER 1-4221

Internal Revenue Service Employer Identification No. 73-0679879

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ITEM 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement

On May 23, 2008, the Company entered into a First Amendment to Lease with ASP, Inc. extending the term of its headquarters office lease in Tulsa, Oklahoma through January 31, 2020. The First Amendment to Lease is attached as Exhibit 10.1 to this Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

(d) Exhibits.

 Exhibit Number
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 10.1
 First Amendment to Lease between ASP, Inc. and Helmerich & Payne, Inc. dated May 23, 2008.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly authorized the undersigned to sign this report on its behalf.

HELMERICH & PAYNE, INC. (Registrant)

/s/ Steven R. Mackey Steven R. Mackey Vice President

DATE: March 29, 2008

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