HELMERICH & PAYNE INC

Form 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

1(b).

Common

Stock

08/03/2005

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * HELMERICH W H III			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol HELMERICH & PAYNE INC [HP]				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
			(Month/Da	ay/Year)			_X_ Director		6 Owner	
1437 SOUTH BOULDER AVE.			08/03/2005				Officer (giv below)	ve titleOth below)	er (specify	
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
	Filed(Month/Day/Year)				Applicable Line)					
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TULSA, OK 74119							Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Ow							
1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	e 2A. Dee	emed	3.	4. Securi	ties	5. Amount of	6. Ownership	7. Nature of	
Security	Security (Month/Day/Year) Execut		on Date, if	TransactionAcquired (A) or			Securities	Form: Direct	Indirect	
(Instr. 3)		any		Code	Disposed	l of (D)	Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial	
		(Month/	Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3,	4 and 5)	Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership	
							Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)	
						(A)	Reported			
						or	Transaction(s)			
				Code V	Amount	(D) Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)			

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1. Title of Derivative	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		4. Transactio	5. orNumber				7. Title and Amount of	8. Price of Derivative	9. Nu Deriv
Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	,	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	of Derivativ Securities Acquired (A) or	(Month/Day/ re s		Underly Securiti (Instr. 3	rlying	(Instr. 5) H	Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo
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				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	0 N 0	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

HELMERICH W H III 1437 SOUTH BOULDER AVE. X TULSA, OK 74119

Signatures

/s/ W. H. Helmerich, III 08/04/2005

**Signature of Reporting 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).
- (1) Includes 120,000 shares of common stock held indirectly through charitable foundations.

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