

HELMERICH & PAYNE INC
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**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
MACKEY STEVEN R

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
HELMERICH & PAYNE INC [HP]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
1437 SOUTH BOULDER AVE.
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
07/29/2005

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 Vice Pres., General Counsel

TULSA, OK 74119

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
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(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	07/29/2005		M	16,426 A \$ 24.5909	22,129	D ⁽¹⁾	
Common Stock	07/29/2005		S	16,426 D \$ 57.52	5,703	D ⁽¹⁾	
Common Stock	07/29/2005		M	6,250 A \$ 27.74	11,953	D ⁽¹⁾	
Common Stock	07/29/2005		S	6,250 D \$ 57.52	5,703	D ⁽¹⁾	

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of 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)	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 24.5909	07/29/2005		M	16,426	12/06/2001 ⁽²⁾ 12/06/2010	Common Stock	16,426
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 27.74	07/29/2005		M	6,250	12/04/2003 ⁽³⁾ 12/04/2012	Common Stock	6,250

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
MACKEY STEVEN R 1437 SOUTH BOULDER AVE. TULSA, OK 74119			Vice Pres., General Counsel	

Signatures

Jonathan M. Cinocca, by Power of Attorney for Steven R. Mackey

08/01/2005

**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).
- (1) Includes 1,703 shares held indirectly in the reporting person's 401(k) account.
- (2) These options were granted under the Helmerich & Payne, Inc. 1996 Stock Incentive Plan on 12/6/00 at an exercise price of \$32.3125, and \$24.5909 post spin-off. These options vested over 4 years in 25% increments. The noted date represents the date options first vested.

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- (3) These options were granted under the Helmerich & Payne, Inc. 2000 Stock Incentive Plan on 12/4/02 at an exercise price of \$27.74. These options vest over 4 years in 25% increments. The noted date represents the date options first vested.

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