

HELMERICH HANS  
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**FORM 4**

**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 \*  
**HELMERICH HANS**

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.**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**06/16/2010**

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
**President & CEO**

(Street)  
**TULSA, OK 74119**

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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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)
Common Stock	06/16/2010		M	V Amount (A) or (D) Price 120,000 A \$ 12.2955	654,097	D	
Common Stock	06/16/2010		F	68,194 D \$ 42.37	585,903	D	
Common Stock					18,585	I	By son <sup>(1)</sup>
Common Stock					12,950	I	By daughter <sup>(1)</sup>
Common Stock					9,950	I	By daughter

Common Stock	37,795	I	(2) By spouse (1)
Common Stock	21,577	I	401(k) Plan
Common Stock	33,600	I	Family Trusts (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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 12.2955	06/16/2010		M	120,000	12/06/2001 <sup>(3)</sup>	12/06/2010	Common Stock	120,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
HELMERICH HANS 1437 SOUTH BOULDER AVE. TULSA, OK 74119	X		President & CEO	

## Signatures

Jonathan M. Cinocca, by Power of Attorney for Hans Helmerich 06/23/2010

\_\_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) The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares, and this report should not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of the shares for purposes of Section 16 or otherwise.  

The shares reported as held by this daughter of the reporting person were previously excluded and not reportable because of a custodial arrangement for the daughter. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares, and this report should not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of the shares for purposes of Section 16 or otherwise.
- (3) The options were granted under the Helmerich & Payne, Inc. 1996 Stock Incentive Plan on 12/6/2000. The noted date represents the first date options vested.

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