

MACKEY STEVEN R
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

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

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

TULSA, OK 74119

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
12/13/2012

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| Common Stock | 12/13/2012 | | M | | \$ 16.01 61,752 | D | |
| Common Stock | 12/13/2012 | | S | | \$ 54.603 49,252 (1) | D | |
| Common Stock | 12/13/2012 | | S | | \$ 54.239 29,919 (2) | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | 3,609 | I | By 401(k) |

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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) | \$ 16.01 | 12/13/2012 | | M | 12,500 | 12/01/2005 ⁽³⁾ 12/01/2014 | Common Stock | 12,500 |

Reporting Owners

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

Signatures

Jonathan M. Cinocca, by Power of Attorney for Steven R. Mackey
 12/14/2012
 **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).
- The noted price is the weighted average sale price for all sales. The range of prices for the transactions were as follows: \$54.60 to \$54.617. The reporting person undertakes to provide upon request of the SEC staff, the issuer or a stockholder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- The noted price is the weighted average sale price for all sales. The range of prices for the transactions were as follows: \$53.94 to \$54.66.
- (2) The reporting person undertakes to provide upon request of the SEC staff, the issuer or a stockholder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
 - (3)

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The options were granted under the Helmerich & Payne, Inc. 2000 Stock Incentive Plan on 12/1/04 and vested over 4 years in 25% increments. The noted date represents the date options first vested.

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