

HELMERICH & PAYNE INC

Form 4

June 06, 2008

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
FEARS DOUGLAS E

(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)

06/04/2008

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
X Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify below)

Vice President & CFO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
X Form filed by One Reporting Person
____ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

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	06/04/2008		M	6,000 A	\$ 13.87 56,851	D ⁽¹⁾	
Common Stock	06/04/2008		S	700 D	\$ 64.369 56,151	D ⁽¹⁾	
Common Stock	06/04/2008		S	100 D	\$ 64.379 56,051	D ⁽¹⁾	
Common Stock	06/04/2008		S	700 D	\$ 64.389 55,351	D ⁽¹⁾	
Common Stock	06/04/2008		S	400 D	\$ 64.399 54,951	D ⁽¹⁾	

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Common Stock	06/04/2008	S	100	D	\$ 64.454	64,851	D ⁽¹⁾
Common Stock	06/04/2008	S	2,000	D	\$ 65	52,851	D ⁽¹⁾
Common Stock	06/04/2008	S	1,100	D	\$ 65.016	51,751	D ⁽¹⁾
Common Stock	06/04/2008	S	200	D	\$ 65.026	51,551	D ⁽¹⁾
Common Stock	06/04/2008	S	400	D	\$ 65.034	51,151	D ⁽¹⁾
Common Stock	06/04/2008	S	300	D	\$ 65.044	50,851	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)	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 13.87	06/04/2008		M	6,000	12/04/2003 ⁽²⁾	12/04/2012	Common Stock	6,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
FEARS DOUGLAS E 1437 SOUTH BOULDER AVE.	Vice President & CFO

TULSA, OK 74119

Signatures

Jonathan M. Cinocca, by Power of Attorney for Douglas E.
Fears

06/06/2008

__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 457 shares held indirectly in the reporting person's 401(k) account.

- The options were granted under the Helmerich & Payne, Inc. 2000 Stock Incentive Plan on 12/04/02. The option have a post stock-split
- (2) exercise price of \$13.87. The options vested over 4 years in 25% increments. The noted date represents the first date options vest and become exercisable.

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