HELMERICH & PAYNE INC

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * FEARS DOUGLAS E			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol HELMERICH & PAYNE INC [HP]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
(Lost)	(First)	(Middle)		(Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction			
1437 SOUTH	BOULDER	AVE.	(Month/Day/Year) 06/03/2008	Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) Vice President & CFO		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
TULSA, OK 7	4119		Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I. Non Dominatine Committee Acc	wind Dispersed of an Demoficially Orange		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-l	Derivative	Secur	ities Acqui	red, Disposed of	or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit tomor Dispos (Instr. 3, 4)	ed of (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	06/03/2008		M	20,000	A	\$ 13.87	70,851	D (1)	
Common Stock	06/03/2008		S	900	D	\$ 63.61	69,951	D (1)	
Common Stock	06/03/2008		S	300	D	\$ 63.62	69,651	D (1)	
Common Stock	06/03/2008		S	300	D	\$ 63.63	69,351	D (1)	
Common Stock	06/03/2008		S	300	D	\$ 63.69	69,051	D (1)	

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Common Stock	06/03/2008	S	1,700	D	\$ 63.71	67,351	D (1)
Common Stock	06/03/2008	S	331	D	\$ 63.72	67,020	D (1)
Common Stock	06/03/2008	S	1,000	D	\$ 63.73	66,020	D (1)
Common Stock	06/03/2008	S	500	D	\$ 63.82	65,520	D (1)
Common Stock	06/03/2008	S	300	D	\$ 63.83	65,220	D (1)
Common Stock	06/03/2008	S	100	D	\$ 63.84	65,120	D (1)
Common Stock	06/03/2008	S	469	D	\$ 63.87	64,651	D (1)
Common Stock	06/03/2008	S	100	D	\$ 63.88	64,551	D (1)
Common Stock	06/03/2008	S	600	D	\$ 63.89	63,951	D (1)
Common Stock	06/03/2008	S	500	D	\$ 63.9	63,451	D (1)
Common Stock	06/03/2008	S	100	D	\$ 63.91	63,351	D (1)
Common Stock	06/03/2008	S	200	D	\$ 63.93	63,151	D (1)
Common Stock	06/03/2008	S	100	D	\$ 63.98	63,051	D (1)
Common Stock	06/03/2008	S	100	D	\$ 64	62,951	D (1)
Common Stock	06/03/2008	S	100	D	\$ 64.01	62,851	D (1)
Common Stock	06/03/2008	S	300	D	\$ 64.03	62,551	D (1)
Common Stock	06/03/2008	S	500	D	\$ 64.04	62,051	D (1)
Common Stock	06/03/2008	S	100	D	\$ 64.06	61,951	D (1)
Common Stock	06/03/2008	S	200	D	\$ 64.08	61,751	D (1)
Common Stock	06/03/2008	S	600	D	\$ 64.1	61,151	D (1)
	06/03/2008	S	100	D		61,051	D (1)

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Common Stock					\$ 64.115	
Common Stock	06/03/2008	S	200	D	\$ 64.13 60,851	D (1)
Common Stock	06/03/2008	S	1,300	D	\$ 65.39 59,551	D (1)
Common Stock	06/03/2008	S	200	D	\$ 65.43 59,351	D (1)
Common Stock	06/03/2008	S	500	D	\$ 65.44 58,851	D (1)

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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. 5. Number of TransactiorDerivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4,		6. Date Exercisab Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year		7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	and 5) (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Share
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 13.87	06/03/2008		M	20,000	12/04/2003(2)	12/04/2012	Common Stock	20,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
FEARS DOUGLAS E 1437 SOUTH BOULDER AVE. TULSA, OK 74119			Vice President & CFO				

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Signatures

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

06/04/2008

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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- * 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.

Remarks:

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