#### HELMERICH & PAYNE INC

Form 4

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## FORM 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * FEARS DOUGLAS E			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol HELMERICH & PAYNE INC [HP]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)		
			(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner		
1437 SOUTH BOULDER AVE.			08/02/2005	X Officer (give title Other (specify below)		
				Vice President & CFO		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line)		
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(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivativo	e Secu	rities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficial	y 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. Securionor Dispo (Instr. 3,	sed of 4 and (A) or	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	08/02/2005		Code V M	Amount 1,207	(D)	Price \$ 18.8356	21,545	D (1)	
Common Stock	08/02/2005		S	500	D	\$ 59.51	21,045	D (1)	
Common Stock	08/02/2005		S	707	D	\$ 59.5	20,338	D (1)	
Common Stock	08/02/2005		M	3,793	A	\$ 22.6636	24,131	D (1)	
Common Stock	08/02/2005		S	93	D	\$ 59.5	24,038	D (1)	

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Common Stock	08/02/2005	S	1,200	D	\$ 59.46	22,838	D (1)
Common Stock	08/02/2005	S	2,500	D	\$ 59.456	20,338	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 on Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisab Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year		7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 18.8356	08/02/2005		M	1,207	12/01/2000(2)	12/01/2009	Common Stock	1,207
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 22.6636	08/02/2005		M	3,793	12/05/2002(3)	12/05/2011	Common Stock	3,793

## **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**

/s/ Jonathan M. Cinocca, by Power of Attorney for Douglas E. Fears 08/03/2005

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\*\*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 141 shares held indirectly in the reporting person's 401(k) account.
- These options were granted under the Helmerich & Payne, Inc. 1996 Stock Incentive Plan on 12/01/1999 at an exercise price of \$24.75, or \$18.8356 post spin-off. These options vested over 4 years in 25% increments. The noted date represents the first date options vested.
  - These options were granted under the Helmerich & Payne, Inc. 2000 Stock Incentive Plan on 12/05/01 at an exercise price of \$29.78,
- (3) which became \$22.6636 post-spinoff. These option vest over 4 years in 25% increments. The noted dates represents the date options first begin to vest.

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