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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement OCCIDENTAL PETROLEUM CORP /DE/ [OXY] Ale John C. (Month/Day/Year) 05/04/2012 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) OCCIDENTAL PETROLEUM (Check all applicable) CORPORATION, Â 10889 WILSHIRE BOULEVARD 10% Owner Director (Street) _X__ Officer Other 6. Individual or Joint/Group (give title below) (specify below) Filing(Check Applicable Line) VP and General Counsel _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person LOS ANGELES, Â CAÂ 90024 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities 3. 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4) Ownership Form: (Instr. 4) (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) Â Common Stock 17,052 D Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of	5. Ownership Form of Derivative	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
			Derivative	Security:	

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Date Expiration Title Amount or Security Direct (D)

Exercisable Date Number of Shares (I)

(Instr. 5)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Ale John C.

OCCIDENTAL PETROLEUM CORPORATION 10889 WILSHIRE BOULEVARD

LOS ANGELES, CAÂ 90024

Relationships

Other

Signatures

/s/ CHRISTEL H. PAULI, Attorney-in-Fact for John
C. Ale

05/14/2012

Explanation of Responses:

**Signature of Reporting Person

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(b)(v).
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