

EICHLER RODNEY J
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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 *
EICHLER RODNEY J

(Last) (First) (Middle)
2000 POST OAK BOULEVARD,
SUITE 100
(Street)

HOUSTON, TX 77056

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
APACHE CORP [APA]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
06/04/2012

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)
President and / Chief Operating Officer

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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock ⁽¹⁾	06/04/2012		M ⁽²⁾		2,004	A	\$ 0
Common Stock ⁽¹⁾	06/04/2012		F ⁽³⁾		824	D	\$ 79.37
Common Stock ⁽¹⁾	06/04/2012		M ⁽⁴⁾		707	A	\$ 0
Common Stock ⁽¹⁾							12,979.527

Held by Trustee of 401(k) Plan

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 shares of common stock of Apache are deemed to also represent certain preferred stock purchase rights ('Rights'). The Rights are not currently exercisable or separately tradable and presently are evidenced by certificates for shares of the common stock. Value attributable to such Rights, if any, is reflected in the market price of the common stock.

- (1) Vesting on 06/01/2012 of restricted stock units under employer plan - data provided by plan administrator on 06/04/2012. Vesting occurs 25% per year over four years.
- (2) Shares withheld to cover required tax withholding on vesting of restricted stock units effective as of 06/01/2012 - data provided by plan administrator on 06/04/2012.
- (3) Exempt transaction pursuant to Rule 16(b)-3 - distribution under the provisions of Apache's Deferred Delivery Plan, as of 06/01/2012. Data provided by the plan administrator on 06/04/2012.
- (4) One share of Apache common stock for each phantom stock unit.
- (5) Exempt transaction - units used to cover required tax withholding on a transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3 as of 06/01/2012 - data provided by the plan administrator on 06/04/2012.
- (6) Exempt transaction - disposition to the issuer involving the settlement of a fractional unit in cash in connection with transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3 as of 06/01/2012 - data provided by the plan administrator on 06/04/2012.
- (7) With tandem tax withholding right

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