

HELMERICH & PAYNE INC
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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
HELMERICH HANS

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
HELMERICH & PAYNE INC [HP]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 1437 SOUTH BOULDER AVE.
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 05/21/2009

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
 President & CEO

TULSA, OK 74119
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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)	
				(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	05/21/2009		G	V	65,566	D	\$ 0 449,197	
Common Stock	10/16/2009		S		35,000	D	\$ 43.1971 414,197 (1)	
Common Stock	10/16/2009		S		5,000	D	\$ 43.5989 17,685 (2)	I By son (3)
Common Stock	10/16/2009		S		5,000	D	\$ 43.5133 11,900 (4)	I By daughter (3)

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(1) The price in this column is the weighted average sale price for the transactions reported. The prices ranged from \$42.965 to \$43.33. The reporting person will provide upon request by the SEC staff, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.

(2) The price in this column is the weighted average sale price for the transactions reported. The prices ranged from \$43.57 to \$43.66. The reporting person will provide upon request by the SEC staff, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.

(3) The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares, and this report should not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of the shares for purposes of Section 16 or otherwise.

(4) The price in this column is the weighted average sale price for the transactions reported. The prices ranged from \$43.47 to \$43.61. The reporting person will provide upon request by the SEC staff, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.

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