

MACKEY STEVEN R
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
MACKEY STEVEN R

(Last) (First) (Middle)

1437 SOUTH BOULDER AVE.

(Street)

TULSA, OK 74119

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

HELMERICH & PAYNE INC [HP]

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

03/03/2011

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)
Exec. Vice Pres., Gen. Counsel

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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	03/03/2011		M		30,000	A	\$ 30.2375
Common Stock	03/03/2011		M		10,000	A	\$ 26.895
Common Stock	03/03/2011		M		7,500	A	\$ 38.015
Common Stock	03/03/2011		S		47,500	D	\$ 64.093 (1)
Common Stock							3,609
						I	By 401(k)

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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 of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 30.2375	03/03/2011		M	30,000	12/05/2006 ⁽²⁾ 12/05/2015	Common Stock	30,000
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 26.895	03/03/2011		M	10,000	12/05/2007 ⁽³⁾ 12/05/2016	Common Stock	10,000
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 38.015	03/03/2011		M	75,000	12/01/2010 ⁽⁴⁾ 12/01/2019	Common Stock	75,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
MACKEY STEVEN R 1437 SOUTH BOULDER AVE. TULSA, OK 74119			Exec. Vice Pres., Gen. Counsel	

Signatures

Jonathan M. Cinocca, by Power of Attorney for Steven R. Mackey

03/04/2011

**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).

The noted price is the weighted average sale price for all sales. The range of prices for the transactions were as follows: \$63.974 to

(1) \$64.229. The reporting person undertakes to provide upon request of the SEC staff, the issuer or a stockholder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.

(2) The options were granted under the Helmerich & Payne, Inc. 2000 Stock Incentive Plan on 12/5/05. The options vested over 4 years in 25% increments beginning one year following the date of grant. The noted date represents the date options first vested.

(3) The options were granted under the Helmerich & Payne, Inc. 2005 Long-Term Incentive Plan on 12/5/06. The options vested over 4 years in 25% increments beginning one year following the date of grant. The noted date represents the date options first vested.

(4) The options were granted under the Helmerich & Payne, Inc. 2005 Long-Term Incentive Plan on 12/1/09. The options vest over 4 years in 25% increments beginning one year following the date of grant. The noted date represents the date options first vested.

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