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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * CRUM JOHN A			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol APACHE CORP [APA]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Choth an approach)			
ONE POST OAK CENTRAL, 2000 POST OAK BOULEVARD, SUITE 100			(Month/Day/Year) 05/25/2006	Director 10% Owner _X Officer (give title Other (specify below) Executive / Vice President			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Chec			
HOUSTON,	ГХ 77056-	4400	Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Di	sposed of, or Bene	eficially Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transactionor Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) Owne Follor Report Trans Or Code V Amount (D) Price	ficially Form: ed Direct wing or Indi	Beneficial (D) Ownership rect (Instr. 4)
Common Stock (1)	05/25/2006		$J_{(2)}^{(2)}$ V 21.905 A $\begin{pmatrix} \$ \\ 62.309 \end{pmatrix}$ 25,29	94.619 D	
Common Stock (1)			7,792	2.149 I	Held by trustee of 401(k) plan
Common Stock (1)			24,7	71.001 I	Held by trustee of NQ Plan

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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Title	e and	8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transacti	orNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amou	nt of	Derivative	Deriv
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(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	e		Securi	ties	(Instr. 5)	Bene
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					4, and 5)						
									Amount		
						Date	Expiration		or		
						Exercisable	Date	Title Number			
									of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Director 10% Owner Officer Other

CRUM JOHN A ONE POST OAK CENTRAL 2000 POST OAK BOULEVARD, SUITE 100 HOUSTON, TX 77056-4400

Executive Vice President

Signatures

Cheri L. Peper, 05/25/2006 Attorney-in-Fact

**Signature of Reporting Person

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.
- (2) Exempt acquisition through dividend reinvestment plan.

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