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FORM 4

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response...

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * SAUER JON W

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

APACHE CORP [APA]

(Month/Day/Year)

(Last)

(Middle) (First)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

(Instr. 4)

(Check all applicable)

2000 POST OAK BOULEVARD,

SUITE 100

05/04/2010

below)

Other (specify below)

Vice President

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

(Instr. 8)

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person

Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

HOUSTON, TX 77056

(City) (State) (Zip)

(Street)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (I)

(Instr. 4)

(A)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Reported Transaction(s)

Following

Code V Amount (D) Price

(Instr. 3 and 4)

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 Derivative Security

Conversion or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if any

4. 5. Number Transactionof Code Derivative

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of 8. Pri **Underlying Securities** Deriv (Instr. 3 and 4) Secu

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)					(Instr	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Phantom Stock Units (1)	\$ 0 (1)	05/04/2010		M	825		(2)	(2)	Common Stock (3)	825	\$
Phantom Stock Units (1)	\$ 0 (1)	05/04/2010		M	800		<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock (3)	800	\$
Restricted Stock / Units (5)	\$ 0 (6)	05/04/2010		M		825	<u>(7)</u>	<u>(7)</u>	Common Stock (3)	825	\$
Restricted Stock / Units (5)	\$ 0 (6)	05/04/2010		M		800	(8)	(8)	Common Stock (3)	800	\$

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			

SAUER JON W 2000 POST OAK BOULEVARD, SUITE 100

Vice President

Signatures

HOUSTON, TX 77056

Cheri L. Peper, Attorney-in-Fact

**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).
- (1) One share of Apache common stock for each phantom stock unit.
- (2) Exempt acquisition pursuant to Rule 16b-3(d). Accrued under the deferred compensation provisions of Apache's Deferred Delivery Planeffective as of 05/01/2010. Data provided by the plan administrator on 05/04/2010.

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.

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- (4) Exempt acquisition pursuant to Rule 16b-3(d). Accrued under the deferred compensation provisions of Apache's Deferred Delivery Planeffective as of 05/03/2010. Data provided by the plan administrator on 05/04/2010.
- (5) With tandem tax withholding right
- (6) One share of Apache common stock for each restricted stock unit.
- (7) Vesting on 05/01/2010 of restricted stock units under employer plan data provided by plan administrator on 05/04/2010 Vesting occurs 25% per year over four years.
- Vesting on 05/03/2010 of restricted stock units under employer plan data provided by plan administrator on 05/04/2010 Vesting occurs 25% per year over four years.

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