DYE ROBERT J Form 4 January 19, 2010

### FORM 4

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### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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Form 4 or Form 5 obligations STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES** 

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* DYE ROBERT J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

APACHE CORP [APA]

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

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

Director

ONE POST OAK CENTRAL, 2000

01/15/2010

10% Owner \_X\_\_ Officer (give title ) \_ Other (specify

below) Vice President / Corporate Services

POST OAK BLVD, SUITE 100

(Ctata)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

HOUSTON, TX 77056-4400

| (City)                               | (State)                                 | (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned |  |  |     |               |  |  |   |  |
|--------------------------------------|---|--|--|--|-----|---------------|--|--|---|--|
| 1.Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year)                            | 3.<br>Transactio<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) our Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)  (A) or |     |               | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(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   | (D) | Price         | (Ilistr. 5 and 4)  |  |   |  |
| Common Stock (1)                     | 01/15/2010                              |  | M                                      | 5,000  | A   | \$<br>21.2663 | 31,564   | D  |   |  |
| Common Stock (1)                     | 01/15/2010                              |  | S                                      | 400  | D   | \$ 107.01     | 31,164   | D  |   |  |
| Common Stock (1)                     | 01/15/2010                              |  | S                                      | 100  | D   | \$ 107.02     | 31,064   | D  |   |  |
| Common Stock (1)                     | 01/15/2010                              |  | S                                      | 3,000  | D   | \$ 107.21     | 28,064   | D  |   |  |
| Common Stock (1)                     | 01/15/2010                              |  | S                                      | 500  | D   | \$ 107.03     | 27,564   | D  |   |  |

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| Common Stock (1)  | 01/15/2010 | S | 700 | D | \$ 107.05 | 26,864    | D |                                      |  |
|---|------------|---|-----|---|-----------|-----------|---|--------------------------------------|--|
| Common Stock (1)  | 01/15/2010 | S | 300 | D | \$ 107.06 | 26,564    | D |                                      |  |
| Common Stock (1)  |            |   |     |   |           | 3,075     | I | By Trusts<br>fbo<br>Children         |  |
| Common<br>Stock (1)   |            |   |     |   |           | 7,411.437 | I | Held by<br>Trustee<br>401(k)<br>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)

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| 1. Title of                          | 2.  | 3. Transaction Date |   | 4. 5. Number   |     | 6. Date Exercisable and             |                     | 7. Title and Amount of                 |                  |  |
|--------------------------------------|---|---------------------|---|--|-----|-------------------------------------|---------------------|--|------------------|--|
| Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | (Month/Day/Year)    | Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | Transaction Derivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) |     | Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) |                     | Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) |                  |  |
|                                      |   |                     |   | Code V   | (A) | (D)                                 | Date<br>Exercisable | Expiration<br>Date                     | Title            | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares |
| Option-<br>Buy<br>\$21.2663          | \$ 21.2663  | 01/15/2010          |   | M  |     | 5,000                               | 05/03/2004          | 05/03/2010                             | Common Stock (1) | 5,000                                  |

## **Reporting Owners**

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Keiauonsnips |           |                 |           |  |  |  |  |  |
|--------------------------------|--------------|-----------|-----------------|-----------|--|--|--|--|--|
|                                | Director     | 10% Owner | Officer         | Other     |  |  |  |  |  |
| DYE ROBERT J                   |              |           |                 |           |  |  |  |  |  |
| ONE POST OAK CENTRAL           |              |           | Vice President  | Corporate |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2000 POST OAK BLVD, SUITE 100  |              |           | vice Fiesidelli | Services  |  |  |  |  |  |
| HOUSTON, TX 77056-4400         |              |           |                 |           |  |  |  |  |  |

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### **Signatures**

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).
- 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) With tandem tax withholding right

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