SAUER JON W Form 4 March 05, 2010

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading SAUER JON W Issuer Symbol APACHE CORP [APA] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner Other (specify X_ Officer (give title 2000 POST OAK BOULEVARD, 03/03/2010 below) SUITE 100 Vice President (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting HOUSTON, TX 77056 Person

(City)	(State)	(Zip) 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. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
			Code V	Amount	or	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				
Common Stock (1)	03/03/2010		M(2)	925	A	\$ 0	17,495	D			
Common Stock (1)	03/03/2010		F(3)	245	D	\$ 105.03	17,250	D			
Common Stock (1)							4,409.035	I	Held by trustee of 401(k) 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 Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number proof 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)		8. Pr Deri Secu (Inst
			Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Conditional Grant / (\$108 Threshold)	\$ 0	03/03/2010	M	925	<u>(2)</u>	(2)	Common Stock (1)	925	\$

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Vice President

SAUER JON W

2000 POST OAK BOULEVARD, SUITE 100

HOUSTON, TX 77056

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.
- \$108.00 price threshold attained on 02/29/2008 under the terms of 2005 Share Appreciation Plan data for the 03/01/2010 vesting provided by the plan administrator on 03/03/2010. Grant vested or will vest one-fourth on each of 02/29/2008, 03/01/2009, 03/01/2010, and 03/01/2011, and vested portion distributed within 30 days of each such date.

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- (3) Shares used to cover required tax withholding on 03/01/2010 vesting of conditional grant data provided by the plan administrator on 03/03/2010.
- (4) With tandem tax withholding right

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