

Petrie Thomas A.  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
Petrie Thomas A.

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
1437 S. 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)  
12/04/2012

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Code V Amount (D) Price		

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	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Securities Acquired (A) or	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
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Derivative Security			Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount
			Code	V				
Phantom Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	<u>(2)</u>	12/04/2012	A		<u>(3)</u>	<u>(3)</u>	Common Stock	328
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 54.18	12/04/2012	A	4,078	12/04/2012 <sup>(4)</sup>	12/04/2022	Common Stock	4

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Petrie Thomas A. 1437 S. BOULDER AVE. TULSA, OK 74119			X	

## Signatures

Jonathan M. Cinocca, by Power of Attorney for Thomas A. Petrie  
 Date: 12/05/2012

\_\_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) Phantom shares relate to the Helmerich & Payne, Inc. Director Deferred Compensation Plan.
- (2) 1-for-1
- (3) The shares of phantom stock become payable, in cash only, at the election of the reporting person either (1) in a lump sum payable no later than 60 days following the termination of the reporting person's service as a director or (2) in annual installments for a period of 'x' years (not to exceed 10).
- (4) The options were granted under the Helmerich & Payne, Inc. 2010 Long-Term Incentive Plan on 12/4/12. The options vested on the date of grant.

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