

Bedingfield John R.
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Bedingfield John R.

(Last) (First) (Middle)
2000 POST OAK BLVD, SUITE 100
(Street)

HOUSTON, TX 77056

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
APACHE CORP [APA]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
05/08/2012

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
X Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)
Vice President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
X Form filed by One Reporting Person
___ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| | | | Code | V | Amount or Price | | |
| Common Stock <u>(1)</u> | 05/08/2012 | | M ⁽²⁾ | | 952 A \$ 0 | 18,608.884 | D |
| Common Stock <u>(1)</u> | 05/08/2012 | | F ⁽³⁾ | | 319 D \$ 89.06 | 18,289.884 | D |
| Common Stock <u>(1)</u> | 05/08/2012 | | M ⁽⁴⁾ | | 800 A \$ 0 | 19,089.884 | D |
| Common Stock <u>(1)</u> | 05/08/2012 | | F ⁽⁵⁾ | | 292 D \$ 89.06 | 18,797.884 | D |
| Common Stock <u>(1)</u> | 05/08/2012 | | M ⁽⁶⁾ | | 175 A \$ 0 | 18,972.884 | D |

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|-------------------------|------------|--|------------------|----|---|----------|------------|---|--------------------------------|
| Common Stock <u>(1)</u> | 05/08/2012 | | F ⁽⁷⁾ | 64 | D | \$ 87.84 | 18,908.884 | D | |
| Common Stock <u>(1)</u> | | | | | | | 9,921.141 | I | Held by Trustee of 401(k) Plan |
| Common Stock <u>(1)</u> | | | | | | | 5,772.076 | 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 Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of 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. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | | |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|----------------------------|------|
| | | | | | | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | |
| | | | | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | |
| Restricted Stock / Units <u>(8)</u> | \$ 0 | 05/08/2012 | | M | 952 | <u>(2)</u> | <u>(2)</u> | Common Stock <u>(1)</u> | 952 | \$ 0 |
| Restricted Stock / Units <u>(8)</u> | \$ 0 | 05/08/2012 | | M | 800 | <u>(4)</u> | <u>(4)</u> | Common Stock <u>(1)</u> | 800 | \$ 0 |
| Restricted Stock / Units <u>(8)</u> | \$ 0 | 05/08/2012 | | M | 175 | <u>(6)</u> | <u>(6)</u> | Common Stock <u>(1)</u> | 175 | \$ 0 |

Reporting Owners

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

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2000 POST OAK BLVD
SUITE 100
HOUSTON, TX 77056

Vice President

Signatures

Cheri L. Peper, 05/08/2012
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
- (1) 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) Vesting on 05/05/2012 of restricted stock units under employer plan - data provided by plan administrator on 05/08/2012. Vesting occurs 25% per year over four years.
 - (3) Shares withheld to cover required tax withholding on vesting of restricted stock effective as of 05/05/2012 - data provided by plan administrator on 05/08/2012.
 - (4) Vesting on 05/06/2012 of restricted stock units under employer plan - data provided by plan administrator on 05/08/2012. Vesting occurs 25% per year over four years.
 - (5) Shares withheld to cover required tax withholding on vesting of restricted stock effective as of 05/06/2012 - data provided by plan administrator on 05/08/2012.
 - (6) Vesting on 05/07/2012 of restricted stock units under employer plan - data provided by plan administrator on 05/08/2012. Vesting occurs 25% per year over four years.
 - (7) Shares withheld to cover required tax withholding on vesting of restricted stock effective as of 05/07/2012 - data provided by plan administrator on 05/08/2012.
 - (8) With tandem tax withholding right

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