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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Foutch Randy A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

below)

HELMERICH & PAYNE INC [HP]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Check all applicable)

(First) (Middle) (Last)

(Month/Day/Year)

X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify

1437 S. BOULDER AVE., SUITE 1400

(Street)

03/01/2011

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

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

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

Form filed by More than One Reporting

TULSA, OK 74119

(City) (State) (Zip)

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) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

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

(Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A) or Code V Amount (D) Price

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Reported

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 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Security or Exercise any

5. Number of TransactionDerivative Code Securities

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

7. Title and Amount of **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)					
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Phantom Stock (1)	<u>(2)</u>	03/01/2011		A	5.4925		(3)	<u>(3)</u>	Common Stock	5.4925
Phantom Stock (1)	<u>(2)</u>	03/02/2011		A	294.0715		(3)	<u>(3)</u>	Common Stock	294.0715

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Foutch Randy A							
1437 S. BOULDER AVE., SUITE 1400	X						
TULSA, OK 74119							

Signatures

Jonathan M. Cinocca, by Power of Attorney for Randy A.
Foutch

03/03/2011

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

**Signature of Reporting Person

- ** 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

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

(3) 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).

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