PRICE FLOYD R

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

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See Instruction

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 PRICE FLOYD R 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 ONE POST OAK CENTRAL, 2000 12/21/2009 below) POST OAK BOULEVARD, SUITE Retired Executive / Vice President 100 (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 77056-4400

(State)

(Zip)

(City)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired Disposed of an Ranaficially On

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1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securi	ities		5. Amount of	6. Ownership	7. Nature of
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	TransactionAcquired (A) or				Securities	Form: Direct	Indirect
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	le Disposed of (D)		Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial	
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3,	4 and	5)	Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership
							Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
					(4)		Reported		
					(A)		Transaction(s)		
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common			Couc v	Amount	(D)	Titee			
Common	12/21/2009		$M^{(2)}$	731	A	\$ 0	32,257	D	
Stock (1)			_			·	,		
									Held by
C									•
Common							25,847.094	I	Trustee of
Stock (1)							22,017.071	•	401(k)

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of onDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		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	
Phantom Stock Units (3)	\$ 0 (3)	12/21/2009	M	731	(2)	(2)	Common Stock (1)	731	Ş
Phantom Stock Units (3)	\$ 0 (3)	12/21/2009	F	393.67	<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock (1)	393.67	\$ 9
Phantom Stock Units (3)	\$ 0 (3)	12/21/2009	D	0.1013	<u>(5)</u>	<u>(5)</u>	Common Stock (1)	0.1013	\$ 9

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Retired Executive Vice President

# **Reporting Owners**

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

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ONE POST OAK CENTRAL 2000 POST OAK BOULEVARD, SUITE 100

HOUSTON, TX 77056-4400

# **Signatures**

Cheri L. Peper, Attorney-in-Fact

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Dat

# **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) Exempt transaction pursuant to Rule 16(b)-3 distribution under the provisions of Apache's Deferred Delivery Plan as of 12/18/2009 data provided by the plan administrator on 12/21/2009.

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- (3) One share of Apache common stock for each phantom stock unit.
- (4) Exempt transaction units used to cover required tax withholding on a transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3 as of 12/18/2009 data provided by the plan administrator on 12/21/2009.
- (5) Exempt transaction disposition to the issuer involving the settlement of a fractional unit in cash in connection with transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3 as of 12/18/2009 data provided by the plan administrator on 12/21/2009.

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