O'Brien Urban F. Form 4 May 08, 2012

## 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).

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obligations

(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 O'Brien Urban F. Issuer Symbol APACHE CORP [APA] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner X\_ Officer (give title Other (specify 2000 POST OAK BLVD., SUITE 05/08/2012 below) 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) Donivative Committee Assumed Disposed of an Doneficially Or

| (City)                               | (State)   | Table Table | e I - Non-D   | erivative | Secur | ities Acqu  | uired, Disposed of   | f, or Beneficial   | ly Owned  |
|--------------------------------------|---|-------------|---|-----------|-------|-------------|--|--|---|
| 1.Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) |             | Transaction(A) or Disp<br>Code (Instr. 3, 4<br>(Instr. 8) |           | -     |             | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
| Common Stock (1)                     | 05/08/2012  |             | M(2)  | 344       | A     | \$ 0        | 4,976  | D  |   |
| Common Stock (1)                     | 05/08/2012  |             | F(3)  | 91        | D     | \$<br>89.06 | 4,885  | D  |   |
| Common Stock (1)                     | 05/08/2012  |             | M(4)  | 150       | A     | \$ 0        | 5,035  | D  |   |
| Common Stock (1)                     | 05/08/2012  |             | F(5)  | 40        | D     | \$<br>89.06 | 4,995  | D  |   |
| Common Stock (1)                     | 05/08/2012  |             | M(6)  | 125       | A     | \$ 0        | 5,120  | D  |   |

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| Common Stock (1) | 05/08/2012 | F <u>(7)</u> | 34 | D | \$<br>87.84 | 5,086   | D |   |
|------------------|------------|--------------|----|---|-------------|---------|---|---|
| Common Stock (1) |            |              |    |   |             | 1,973.5 | I | Held by<br>Trustee of<br>401(k)<br>Plan |
| Common Stock (1) |            |              |    |   |             | 220.692 | I | Held by<br>Trustee of<br>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<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transactic<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | ionof<br>Derivative |             | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) |                    | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) |  | 8. Price<br>Derivat<br>Securit<br>(Instr. 5 |
|---|---|--------------------------------------|---|--|---------------------|-------------|--|--------------------|---|--|---|
|   |   |                                      |   | Code V                                 | (A) (D              | <b>)</b> )) | Date<br>Exercisable                                      | Expiration<br>Date | Title   | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares |   |
| Restricted<br>Stock /<br>Units (8)                  | \$ 0  | 05/08/2012                           |   | M                                      | 34                  | 4           | (2)  | <u>(2)</u>         | Common Stock (1)  | 344                                    | \$ 0  |
| Restricted<br>Stock /<br>Units (8)                  | \$ 0  | 05/08/2012                           |   | M                                      | 15                  | 60          | <u>(4)</u>   | <u>(4)</u>         | Common Stock (1)  | 150                                    | \$ 0  |
| Restricted<br>Stock /<br>Units (8)                  | \$ 0  | 05/08/2012                           |   | M                                      | 12                  | 25          | <u>(6)</u>   | <u>(6)</u>         | Common Stock (1)  | 125                                    | \$ 0  |

# **Reporting Owners**

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

Reporting Owners 2 O'Brien Urban F. 2000 POST OAK BLVD. SUITE 100 HOUSTON, TX 77056

Vice President

### **Signatures**

Cheri L. Peper, Attorney-in-Fact

05/08/2012

\*\*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).
- 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) 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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