

MCARDLE JANINE J
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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 MCARDLE JANINE J

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 2000 POST OAK BOULEVARD,
 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)
 05/22/2012

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)
 Senior Vice President

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock ⁽¹⁾	05/22/2012		M ⁽²⁾	725 A \$ 0	18,000	D	
Common Stock ⁽¹⁾					462	I	Held by Spouse
Common Stock ⁽¹⁾					114	I	Held by Son

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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- (3) One share of Apache common stock for each phantom stock unit.
- (4) Exempt acquisition pursuant to Rule 16b-3(d) - accrued under the deferred compensation provisions of Apache's Deferred Delivery Plan as of 05/22/2012 - data provided by the plan administrator on 05/23/2012.
- (5) Exempt transaction - units used to cover required tax withholding on a transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3 as of 05/22/2012 - data provided by the plan administrator on 05/23/2012.
- (6) 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 05/22/2012 - data provided by the plan administrator on 05/23/2012.

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