

HELMERICH & PAYNE INC  
Form 8-K  
December 18, 2007

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

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**FORM 8-K**

CURRENT REPORT

PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15 (d)  
OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

DATE OF EARLIEST EVENT REPORTED: December 17, 2007

**HELMERICH & PAYNE, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

State of Incorporation: Delaware

COMMISSION FILE NUMBER 1-4221

Internal Revenue Service    Employer Identification No. 73-0679879

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## ITEM 1.01

## ENTRY INTO A MATERIAL DEFINITIVE AGREEMENT.

On December 17, 2007, Helmerich & Payne, Inc. ( Registrant ), Helmerich & Payne International Drilling Co., and Bank of Oklahoma, National Association entered into a First Amendment to First Amended and Restated Credit Agreement which extended the term of the First Amended and Restated Credit Agreement through December 15, 2008.

## ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.

(d) Exhibits

10.1 First Amendment to First Amended and Restated Credit Agreement dated December 17, 2007, among Helmerich & Payne, Inc., Helmerich & Payne International Drilling Co., and Bank of Oklahoma, National Association.

## SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly authorized the undersigned to sign this report on its behalf.

HELMERICH & PAYNE, INC.  
(Registrant)

/s/ Steven R. Mackey  
Steven R. Mackey  
Vice President

DATE: December 18, 2007

## EXHIBIT INDEX

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