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FORM 4

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

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

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(Print or Type Responses)

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

(First) (Last)

(Middle)

(Zip)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

(Street)

1437 S. BOULDER AVE., SUITE

(State)

(Month/Day/Year)

3.

TULSA, OK 74119

(City)

1.Title of

Security

(Instr. 3)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

HELMERICH & PAYNE INC [HP]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

03/03/2008

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

4. Securities

Code V Amount (D) Price

Issuer

below)

Form filed by More than One Reporting

Applicable Line)

X_ Director

Officer (give title

5. Amount of

Securities

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

X Form filed by One Reporting Person

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

TransactionAcquired (A) or Execution Date, if Code Disposed of (D) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

(A)

or

Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

Form: Direct (I) (Instr. 4)

6. Ownership

7. Nature of Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership

(9-02)

10% Owner

Other (specify

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burden hours per

(Instr. 4)

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) Disposed of (Instr. 3, 4, a 5)	(D)			
				Code V	(A)	(D) Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Phantom Stock (1)	<u>(2)</u>	03/03/2008		A	1.2182	(3)	(3)	Common Stock	1.2182
Phantom Stock (1)	<u>(2)</u>	03/05/2008		A	304.5404	<u>(3)</u>	(3)	Common Stock	304.5404

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
1	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 03/06/2008

**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).
- (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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