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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting

Person *

À Tardio Juan Pablo

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

04/30/2010

2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

HELMERICH & PAYNE INC [HP]

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

5. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

1437 SOUTH BOULDER **AVENUE, Â SUITE 1400**

(Street)

(State)

Director _X__ Officer (give title below) (specify below)

10% Owner Other

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting

VP & CFO Person

Form filed by More than One

Reporting Person

TULSA, OKÂ 74119

(Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security

(Instr. 4)

(City)

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

(Instr. 4)

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4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership Ownership (Instr. 5)

Direct (D) or Indirect

(I) (Instr. 5)

I

SEC 1473 (7-02)

Common Stock 11,334

Common Stock 1,129

Â D

401(k) account

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially

owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

2. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying **Derivative Security** (Instr. 4)

Conversion or Exercise Price of

5. Ownership Form of Derivative

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Stock Option (right to buy)	12/05/2009(1)	12/05/2016	Common Stock	3,000	\$ 26.895	D	Â
Stock Option (right to buy)	12/04/2008(2)	12/04/2017	Common Stock	6,000	\$ 35.105	D	Â
Stock Option (right to buy)	12/02/2009(3)	12/02/2018	Common Stock	7,000	\$ 21.065	D	Â
Stock Option (right to buy)	12/01/2010(4)	12/01/2019	Common Stock	9,000	\$ 38.015	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Tardio Juan Pablo 1437 SOUTH BOULDER AVENUE SUITE 1400 TULSA, OK 74119	Â	Â	VP & CFO	Â		

Signatures

Jonathan M. Cinocca, by Power of Attorney for Juan Pablo
Tardio

05/05/2010

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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 options were granted under the Helmerich & Payne, Inc. 2005 Long-Term Incentive Plan on 12/5/06. Options to purchase 3,000
- (1) shares remain under said grant, 1,500 of which are vested and became exercisable on 12/5/09 (the noted date) and 1,500 vest and become exercisable on 12/5/10.
- (2) The options were granted under the Helmerich & Payne, Inc. 2005 Long-Term Incentive Plan on 12/4/07. The options vest ratably over a four year period commencing on the anniversary date of the grant.
- (3) The options were granted under the Helmerich & Payne, Inc. 2005 Long-Term Incentive Plan on 12/2/08. The options vest ratably over a four year period commencing on the anniversary date of the grant.
- (4) The options were granted under the Helmerich & Payne, Inc. 2005 Long-Term Incentive Plan on 12/1/09. The options vest ratably over a four year period commencing on the anniversary date of the grant.

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