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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * NIKKEL JOHN G

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol UNIT CORP [UNT]

(Last)

(First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

05/08/2008

X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below)

(Check all applicable)

1000 KENSINGTON TOWER, 7130 SOUTH LEWIS

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

TULSA, OK 74136

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A) or Code V Amount (D) Price

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 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 Derivative Security Conversion (Instr. 3) or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any

5. Number 6. Date Exercisable and Transaction of Derivative Expiration Date Code Securities (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amou Underlying Securi (Instr. 3 and 4)

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Price of (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired Derivative (A) or Security Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) Code V

(A) (D) Date Expiration Title

Exercisable Date

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2008

Common 11/08/2008 05/08/2018 Non-Employee \$ 73.26 05/08/2008 A 3,500 Stock

Director Option

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Director 10% Owner Officer Other

NIKKEL JOHN G 1000 KENSINGTON TOWER 7130 SOUTH LEWIS **TULSA, OK 74136**

X

Signatures

Mark E. Schell under POA for John G. 05/12/2008 Nikkel

> **Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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