HELMERICH & PAYNE INC Form 8-K April 26, 2012

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

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

DATE OF EARLIEST EVENT REPORTED: April 26, 2012

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 2.02 RESULTS OF OPERATIONS AND FINANCIAL CONDITION

On April 26, 2012, Helmerich & Payne, Inc. (Registrant) issued a press release announcing its financial results for its second quarter ended March 31, 2012. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99 to this Report on Form 8-K. This information is being furnished pursuant to Item 2.02 of Form 8-K and shall not be deemed to be filed for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act), or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that Section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

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Helmerich & Payne, Inc. earnings press release dated April 26, 2012

SIGNATURES

Exhibits

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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 Executive Vice President

DATE: April 26, 2012

EXHIBIT INDEX

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