PEPER CHERI L Form 4 January 17, 2012

# FORM 4

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# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * PEPER CHERI L			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol APACHE CORP [APA]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)			
2000 POST OA 100	AK BLVD.,	SUITE	(Month/Day/Year) 01/16/2012	Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below) Corporate Secretary			
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
HOUSTON, T			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any		3. Transaction	on(A) or D	curities Acquired r Disposed of (D)		5. Amount of 6. Securities Ownership Beneficially Form: Direct	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial	
· · ·		(Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8)			(A)		Owned Following Reported	(D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	or	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock (1)	01/16/2012		M(2)	434	A	\$ 0	4,948	D	
Common Stock (1)	01/16/2012		F(3)	134	D	\$ 92.84	4,814	D	

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 (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Pr Derir Secu (Inst
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock / Units (4)	\$ 0 (5)	01/16/2012		M	434	01/15/2012	<u>(6)</u>	Common Stock (1)	434	\$

### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

PEPER CHERI L 2000 POST OAK BLVD. SUITE 100

Corporate Secretary

HOUSTON, TX 77056

## **Signatures**

Cheri L. Peper 01/17/2012

\*\*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).
- The shares of common stock of Apache are deemed to also represent certain preferred stock purchase rights ('Rights'). The Rights are not currently exercisable or separately tradable and presently are evidenced by certificates for shares of the common stock. Value attributable to such Rights, if any, is reflected in the market price of the common stock.
- (2) Vesting on 01/15/2012 of restricted stock units under employer plan data provided by plan administrator on 01/16/2012.
- (3) Shares withheld to cover required tax withholding on vesting of restricted stock units effective as of 01/15/2012 data provided by plan administrator on 01/16/2012.
- (4) With tandem tax withholding right
- (5) One share of Apache common stock for each restricted stock unit.
- (6) Granted under employer plan on 01/15/2010. Units vest 1/3 on 01/15/2010, 01/15/2011, and 01/15/2012.

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