

LINDSAY JOHN W  
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**FORM 4**

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

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**LINDSAY JOHN W**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

1437 SOUTH BOULDER AVE.,  
 SUITE 1400

(Street)

TULSA, OK 74119

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

**HELMERICH & PAYNE INC [HP]**

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

12/20/2012

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

President & COO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount or Price		
Common Stock	12/20/2012		M		5,000 A \$ 12.08	92,401	D
Common Stock	12/20/2012		S		700 D \$ 56.77	91,701	D
Common Stock	12/20/2012		S		100 D \$ 56.725	91,601	D
Common Stock	12/20/2012		S		1,000 D \$ 56.721	90,601	D
Common Stock	12/20/2012		S		2,500 D \$ 56.72	88,101	D

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Common Stock	12/20/2012	S	600	D	\$ 56.71	87,501	D	
Common Stock	12/20/2012	S	100	D	\$ 56.711	87,401	D	
Common Stock						9,290	I	By 401(k)

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 12.08	12/20/2012		M	5,000	12/03/2004 <sup>(1)</sup> 12/03/2013	Common Stock	5,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
LINDSAY JOHN W 1437 SOUTH BOULDER AVE., SUITE 1400 TULSA, OK 74119	X		President & COO	

## Signatures

Jonathan M. Cinocca, by Power of Attorney for John W. Lindsay

12/21/2012

\_\_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).

(1) The options were granted under the Helmerich & Payne, Inc. 2000 Stock Incentive Plan on 12/03/03. The options vested over 4 years in 25% increments. The noted date represents the first date options vested and became exercisable.

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