

APACHE CORP  
Form 4  
May 24, 2006

**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**Washington, D.C. 20549**

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**CHRISTMANN JOHN J**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

2000 POST OAK BLVD., SUITE  
100

(Street)

HOUSTON, TX 77056-4400

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol  
**APACHE CORP [APA]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
**05/24/2006**

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) below)  
Vice President

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

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

| 1. Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 4. Securities<br>Acquired (A) or<br>Disposed of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or Indirect<br>(I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                       |                                         |                                                             | Code                                 | V                                                                          | Amount                                                                                                             | (D)                                                                  | Price                                                             |

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<br>Derivative<br>Security | 2. Conversion<br>or Exercise | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any | 4. Transaction<br>Code | 5. Number of<br>Derivative<br>Securities | 6. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of<br>Underlying Securities<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price<br>of Underlying<br>Securities |
|---------------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|
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| (Instr. 3)                               | Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | Acquired (A)<br>or Disposed of<br>(D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4,<br>and 5) | (Instr. 8) |     |                     |                    |                                |                                     |      |  |  |
|------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------|------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|-----|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------|--|--|
|                                          |                                    |                  | Code       | V                                                                | (A)        | (D) | Date<br>Exercisable | Expiration<br>Date | Title                          | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of Shares |      |  |  |
| Phantom<br>Stock<br>Units <sup>(1)</sup> | \$ 0 <sup>(1)</sup>                | 05/24/2006       | J          |                                                                  | 2.7806     |     | <sup>(2)</sup>      | <sup>(2)</sup>     | Common<br>Stock <sup>(3)</sup> | 2.7806                              | \$ 6 |  |  |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                                | Relationships |           |                   |       |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|-------------------|-------|
|                                                                               | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer           | Other |
| CHRISTMANN JOHN J<br>2000 POST OAK BLVD., SUITE 100<br>HOUSTON, TX 77056-4400 |               |           | Vice<br>President |       |

## Signatures

Cheri L. Peper,  
Attorney-in-Fact  
  
05/24/2006  
  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\*\*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) One share of Apache common stock for each phantom stock unit.

(2) Exempt acquisition pursuant to Rule 16b-3(d) - accrued under the deferred compensation provisions of Apache's Deferred Delivery Plan as of 05/22/2006 - data provided by the plan administrator on 05/24/2006.

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.

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