

JEPPESEN JON A  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**JEPPESEN JON A**

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
**ONE POST OAK CENTRAL, 2000  
 POST OAK BOULEVARD, SUITE  
 100**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
**12/21/2009**

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
**Exec. Vice President**

(Street)  
**HOUSTON, TX 77056-4400**

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	12/21/2009		M <sup>(2)</sup>	731 A \$ 0	33,576	D	
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>					5,982.121	I	Held by Trustee of 401(k) Plan
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>					3,971.89	I	Held by Trustee of NQ Plan

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 Acquired (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)	8. Price or Amount of Shares	9. Other
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Phantom Stock Units <sup>(3)</sup>	\$ 0 <sup>(3)</sup>	12/21/2009		M	731	<u>(2)</u>	<u>(2)</u>	Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	731
Phantom Stock Units <sup>(3)</sup>	\$ 0 <sup>(3)</sup>	12/21/2009		F	393.67	<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	393.67
Phantom Stock Units <sup>(3)</sup>	\$ 0 <sup>(3)</sup>	12/21/2009		D	0.1013	<u>(5)</u>	<u>(5)</u>	Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	0.1013

## Reporting Owners

### Reporting Owner Name / Address

### Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

JEPPESEN JON A  
ONE POST OAK CENTRAL  
2000 POST OAK BOULEVARD, SUITE 100  
HOUSTON, TX 77056-4400

Exec. Vice President

## Signatures

Cheri L. Peper, 12/21/2009  
Attorney-in-Fact

\*\*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).

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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) Exempt transaction pursuant to Rule 16(b)-3 - distribution under the provisions of Apache's Deferred Delivery Plan as of 12/18/2009 - data provided by the plan administrator on 12/21/2009.
- (3) One share of Apache common stock for each phantom stock unit.
- (4) Exempt transaction - units used to cover required tax withholding on a transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3 as of 12/18/2009 - data provided by the plan administrator on 12/21/2009.
- (5) Exempt transaction - disposition to the issuer involving the settlement of a fractional unit in cash in connection with transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3 as of 12/18/2009 - data provided by the plan administrator on 12/21/2009.

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