

WHITEHEAD ALBERT E  
 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**

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 \*  
 WHITEHEAD ALBERT E

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 EMPIRE PETROLEUM CORP  
 [EMPR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 8801 S. YALE, SUITE 120  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 07/08/2010

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

TULSA, OK 74137-3575  
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

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 (A) or (D) Price   |   |  |   |
| COMMON STOCK                    | 07/08/2010                           |  | P                              | 555,556 A \$ 0.09   | 16,268,378  | D  |   |
| COMMON STOCK                    |                                      |  |                                |   | 2,815,283   | I  | BY TRUST (1)  |

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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4) |              |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--------------|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   | Title        |
| COMMON STOCK WARRANTS (RIGHT TO BUY)       | \$ 0.5   | 07/06/2010                           |  | P                              | 277,778   | 07/06/2010   | 07/05/2011  | COMMON STOCK |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |           |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|-----------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer   | Other |
| WHITEHEAD ALBERT E<br>8801 S. YALE<br>SUITE 120<br>TULSA, OK 74137-3575 | X             | X         | PRESIDENT |       |

## Signatures

ALBERT E.  
WHITEHEAD

07/08/2010

\*\*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 HOLDINGS SHOWN ARE HELD IN THE LACY E. WHITEHEAD LIVING TRUST, WHICH IS THE REPORTING PERSONS SPOUSE. THE REPORTING PERSON DISCLAIMS OWNERSHIP OF THESE HOLDINGS, AND THIS REPORT SHOULD NOT BE DEEMED AN ADMISSION THAT THE REPORTING PERSON IS THE BENEFICIAL OWNER OF THESE HOLDINGS FOR PURPOSES OF SECTION 16 OR FOR ANY OTHER PURPOSES.

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