SAUER JON W Form 4

November 24, 2009

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

Washington, D.C. 20549

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * SAUER JON W

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Issuer

APACHE CORP [APA]

(First) (Middle) (Last)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

11/24/2009

(Month/Day/Year)

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

(Check all applicable)

Vice President

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

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ONE POST OAK CENTRAL, 2000 POST OAK BOULEVARD, SUITE 100

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

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

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

below)

HOUSTON, TX 77056-4400

(State) (Zip) (City) 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security

(Instr. 3)

3. 4. Securities (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of 6. Ownership Securities Form: Direct Beneficially (D) or Indirect Beneficial Owned (Instr. 4) Following

Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 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)

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 1. Title of (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionDerivative Derivative Conversion

5. Number of

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date**

7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities

7. Nature of

Ownership

(Instr. 4)

Indirect

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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		(Month/Day/Year)		(Instr. 3 and 4)		S
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Phantom Stock Units (1)	\$ 0 (1)	11/24/2009		J	25.9815		(2)	(2)	Common Stock (3)	25.9815	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SAUER JON W

ONE POST OAK CENTRAL 2000 POST OAK BOULEVARD, SUITE 100 HOUSTON, TX 77056, 4400

Vice President

HOUSTON, TX 77056-4400

Signatures

Cheri L. Peper, 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).
- (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 11/23/2009. Data provided by the plan administrator on 11/24/2009.
- 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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