Bedingfield John R. Form 4 January 19, 2010

# FORM 4

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

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Bedingfield John R.			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol APACHE CORP [APA]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check an applicable)		
ONE POST OAK CENTRAL, 2000 POST OAK BLVD, SUITE 100			(Month/Day/Year) 01/15/2010	Director 10% Owner _X Officer (give title Other (specify below)  Vice President		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
HOUSTON,	TX 77056-	4400	Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	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. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)  (A) or			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)		
Common Stock (1)	01/15/2010		Code V M	Amount 1,500	(D)	Price \$ 0	3,602	D		
Common Stock (1)	01/15/2010		F	446	D	\$ 107.66	3,156	D		
Common Stock (1)							8,742.976	I	Held by Trustee of 401(k) Plan	
Common Stock (1)							2,080.087	I	Held by Trustee of NQ Plan	

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. NumborDerivatir Securitie Acquired Disposed (Instr. 3,	ve es d (A) or d of (D)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Units (2)	\$ 0 (3)	01/15/2010		A	4,500		<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock (1)	4,500
Restricted Stock Units (2)	\$ 0 (3)	01/15/2010		M		1,500	01/15/2010	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock (1)	1,500

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			

Bedingfield John R.

ONE POST OAK CENTRAL Vice
2000 POST OAK BLVD, SUITE 100 President
HOUSTON, TX 77056-4400

## **Signatures**

John R.

Bedingfield 01/19/2010

\*\*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).

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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- (2) With tandem tax withholding right
- (3) One share of Apache common stock for each restricted stock unit.
- (4) Restricted units granted 01/15/2010 under employer plan data received from plan administrator on 01/19/2010. The units vest 1/3 on 01/15/2010, 01/15/2011, and 01/15/2012.

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