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## FORM 4

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading SAUER JON W Issuer Symbol APACHE CORP [APA] (Check all applicable) (Middle) (Last) (First) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner X\_ Officer (give title Other (specify 2000 POST OAK BOULEVARD, 08/23/2012 below) SUITE 100 Vice President (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

HOUSTON, TX 77056

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Indirect Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned (I) Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) (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)

1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5. Number of	6. Date Exercisable and	7. Title and Amount of	
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	TransactionDerivative		Expiration Date	Underlying Securities	
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	Securities	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4)	

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr.	ĺ	Acquired (A Disposed of (Instr. 3, 4, 5)	f (D)				
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Phantom Stock Units (1)	\$ 0	08/23/2012		J		26.3674		(2)	<u>(2)</u>	Common Stock (3)	26.3674

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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SAUER JON W 2000 POST OAK BOULEVARD, SUITE 100 HOUSTON, TX 77056

Vice President

## **Signatures**

Cheri L. Peper, Attorney-in-Fact 08/23/2012

\*\*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 08/22/2012 data provided by plan administrator on 08/23/2012.
- 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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