

APACHE CORP
Form 8-K
February 25, 2011

**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549
FORM 8-K
CURRENT REPORT**

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): February 21, 2011

APACHE CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

1-4300
(Commission
File Number)

41-0747868
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

**2000 Post Oak Boulevard
Suite 100**

Houston, Texas 77056-4400

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (713) 296-6000

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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 - Pre-Commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers

On February 21, 2011, Mr. John A. Crum informed Apache Corporation (the Company) of his intention to resign as co-chief operating officer and president North America effective as of March 7, 2011.

Following Mr. Crum's resignation, on February 22, 2011, the board of directors of the Company named Rodney J. Eichler as the Company's president and chief operating officer and Roger B. Plank to president and chief corporate officer. Mr. Eichler formerly served as the co-chief operating officer and president International. In his new role as president and sole chief operating officer, Mr. Eichler will be responsible for Apache's 10 operating regions, worldwide drilling, gas monetization and worldwide projects. Mr. Plank, who currently serves as the Company's president, is assuming responsibilities for marketing and corporate purchasing, in addition to his leadership role in finance, administration and business development.

A copy of the press release is furnished as an exhibit.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits.

| Exhibit No. | Description |
|-------------|---|
| 99.1 | Press Release of Apache Corporation, dated February 25, 2011. |

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

APACHE CORPORATION

Date: February 25, 2011

/s/ Thomas P. Chambers
Thomas P. Chambers
Executive Vice President and Chief
Financial Officer

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