

EICHLER RODNEY J  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

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

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
EICHLER RODNEY J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
APACHE CORP [APA]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
ONE POST OAK CENTRAL, 2000  
POST OAK BOULEVARD, SUITE  
100

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
10/30/2006

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Exec. Vice President

(Street)  
HOUSTON, TX 77056-4400

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (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. 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 or Price   |  |   |
| Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>     | 10/30/2006                           |  | M <sup>(2)</sup>               |   | 4,042 A \$ 0  | 15,211.752   | D   |
| Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>     | 10/30/2006                           |  | F                              |   | 1,661 <sup>(3)</sup> D \$ 68.21   | 13,550.752   | D   |
| Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>     | 10/30/2006                           |  | M <sup>(2)</sup>               |   | 481 A \$ 0  | 14,031.752   | D   |
| Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>     | 10/30/2006                           |  | F                              |   | 198 <sup>(3)</sup> D \$ 68.21   | 13,833.752   | D   |
| Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>     |                                      |  |                                |   |   | 12,472.553   | I Held by Trustee of                                  |

401(k)  
Plan

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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|---|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|-----------------|---|----------------------------|
|   |  |                                      |  |                                |   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date |   |                            |
| Cond Grant (\$51.95 Threshold) <sup>(4)</sup> | \$ 0 <sup>(4)</sup>                                    | 10/30/2006                           |  | M                              | 4,042   | <sup>(2)</sup>   | 11/27/2006      | Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>                                   | 4,042                      |
| Cond Grant (\$51.95 Threshold) <sup>(4)</sup> | \$ 0 <sup>(4)</sup>                                    | 10/30/2006                           |  | M                              | 481   | <sup>(2)</sup>   | 11/27/2006      | Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>                                   | 481                        |

## Reporting Owners

### Reporting Owner Name / Address

### Relationships

Director    10% Owner    Officer    Other

EICHLER RODNEY J  
ONE POST OAK CENTRAL  
2000 POST OAK BOULEVARD, SUITE 100  
HOUSTON, TX 77056-4400

Exec. Vice President

## Signatures

Cheri L. Peper,  
Attorney-in-Fact

10/30/2006

         \*\*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

(1) 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.

\$51.95 price threshold attained on 10/26/04 under the terms of 2000 Share Appreciation Plan, data for final vesting provided by the plan administrator on 10/30/06. Grant vested one-third on each of 10/26/04, 10/26/05 and 10/26/06, and vested portion distributed within 30 days of each such date.

(2)

(3) Shares used to cover required tax withholding on vesting of conditional grant.

(4) With tandem tax withholding right

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