SAUER JON W Form 4 March 31, 2011

# 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 * SAUER JON W			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)		
2000 POST OAK BOULEVARD, SUITE 100		EVARD,	(Month/Day/Year) 03/30/2011	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, T	X 77056		Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

	, , , , , ,						Person		
(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-D	)erivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly 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)				Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	p 7. Nature of t Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock (1)	03/30/2011		M	3,300	A	\$ 56.73	19,212	D	
Common Stock (1)	03/30/2011		M	3,200	A	\$ 71.88	22,412	D	
Common Stock (1)	03/30/2011		M	2,475	A	\$ 74.1	24,887	D	
Common Stock (1)	03/30/2011		S	8,975	D	\$ 131	15,912	D	
Common Stock (1)							4,446.38	I	Held by trustee of 401(k)

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number op Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exerci Expiration Da (Month/Day/Y	te	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
Option (Buy \$56.73)	\$ 56.73	03/30/2011		M	3,300	05/05/2009	05/05/2015	Common Stock (1)	3,300
Option (Buy \$71.88)	\$ 71.88	03/30/2011		M	3,200	05/03/2010	05/03/2016	Common Stock (1)	3,200
Option (Buy \$74.10)	\$ 74.1	03/30/2011		M	2,475	(3)	05/02/2017	Common Stock (1)	2,475

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	retution 5 m p 5					
· ü	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
SAUER JON W						
2000 POST OAK BOULEVARD, SUITE 100			Vice President			
HOUSTON, TX 77056						

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Relationships

### **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).
- 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.
- (2) With tandem tax withholding right
- (3) Exercisable ratably over four years beginning 05/02/2008.

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