

PLANK RAYMOND
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FORM 4

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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 *
PLANK RAYMOND

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 BLVD, STE 100

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
01/20/2009

____ Director
____ Officer (give title below) 10% Owner
____ Other (specify below)
Retired Chairman / of the Board

(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
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(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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock <u>(1)</u>	01/20/2009		M	31,865 <u>(2)</u> A \$ 49.71	103,453	D	
Common Stock <u>(1)</u>	01/20/2009		F	21,265 <u>(3)</u> D \$ 74.49	82,188	D	
Common Stock <u>(1)</u>	01/20/2009		F	3,864 <u>(4)</u> D \$ 74.49	78,324	D	
Common Stock <u>(1)</u>	01/20/2009		M	33,693 <u>(2)</u> A \$ 49.71	112,017	D	
Common Stock <u>(1)</u>	01/20/2009		F	22,485 <u>(3)</u> D \$ 74.49	89,532	D	

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Common Stock <u>(1)</u>	01/20/2009	F	4,086 <u>(4)</u>	D	\$ 74.49	85,446	D	
Common Stock <u>(1)</u>						9,101.752	I	Held by Trustee of 401(k) Plan
Common Stock <u>(1)</u>						4,000	I	Plank Family Apache Assoc L.P.
Common Stock <u>(1)</u>						17,750	I	Plank Family Apache Inv. L.P.

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	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	
Option - Buy \$49.71 <u>(5)</u>	\$ 49.71	01/20/2009		M	31,865	07/12/2005	05/03/2010	Common Stock <u>(1)</u>	31,865
Option - Buy \$49.71 <u>(5)</u>	\$ 49.71	01/20/2009		M	33,693	07/12/2005	05/02/2011	Common Stock <u>(1)</u>	33,693

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
PLANK RAYMOND ONE POST OAK CENTRAL 2000 POST OAK BLVD, STE 100 HOUSTON, TX 77056-4400			Retired Chairman	of the Board

Signatures

Cheri L. Peper, 01/21/2009
 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
- (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.
 - (2) Transaction date 01/19/2009, data provided by plan administrator on 01/20/2009.
 - (3) Use, by attestation, of already-owned shares of Apache common stock to cover exercise price on employee stock option. Transaction date 01/19/2009, data provided by plan administrator on 01/20/2009.
 - (4) Shares withheld to cover required tax withholding on exercise of employee stock option. Transaction date 01/19/2009, data provided by plan administrator on 01/20/2009.
 - (5) With tandem tax withholding right

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