

PITMAN CHARLES J  
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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 \*  
PITMAN CHARLES J

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
2000 POST OAK BLVD., SUITE 100  
(Street)

HOUSTON, TX 77056

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
09/15/2012

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
Director

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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**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 <sup>(1)</sup>	09/15/2012		M <sup>(2)</sup>	1,139 A \$ 0	25,079.7672	D	
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	09/15/2012		D <sup>(3)</sup>	456 D \$ 92.48	24,623.7672	D	
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>					11,845.314	I	Held by CJ Pitman Ltd Prtnrshp

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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 (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)	8. Pr Deriv Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)	
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
						Code	V	(A)	(D)
Restricted Stock / Units	\$ 0 <sup>(4)</sup>	09/15/2012		M	1,139	<u>(2)</u>	<u>(2)</u>	Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	1,139

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
PITMAN CHARLES J 2000 POST OAK BLVD. SUITE 100 HOUSTON, TX 77056	X		Director	

## Signatures

Cheri L. Peper,  
Attorney-in-Fact

09/17/2012

         \*\*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).

- 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.
- (1) Vesting on 09/15/2012 of restricted stock units granted to each of Apache's non-employee directors under 2011 Omnibus Equity Compensation Plan.
  - (2) This transaction is not a sale. Exempt disposition to issuer of portion of restricted stock units payable in cash upon vesting. The 2011 Omnibus Equity Compensation Plan contained such provision when approved by stockholders in May 2011, and the restricted stock units contained such terms when granted under the terms of such plan. Of the total 1,139 restricted stock units that vested on 09/15/2012, 60 percent (683 restricted stock units) is payable in Apache common stock and 40 percent (456 restricted stock units) is payable in cash and

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is characterized in this report as a disposition to the issuer.

- (4) One share of Apache common stock for each restricted stock unit.

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