

ROONEY L F III
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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 *
ROONEY L F III

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
HELMERICH & PAYNE INC [HP]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
5601 S. 122ND E. AVE.

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
11/14/2005

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

TULSA, OK 74146

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	11/14/2005		M	979.388 A	33,979.388	D (2)	
Common Stock	11/14/2005		D	979.388 D	\$ 52.96	D (2)	

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)

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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)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Phantom Stock	(1)	11/14/2005		M	979.388	(3) (3)	Common Stock	979.388

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
ROONEY L F III 5601 S. 122ND E. AVE. TULSA, OK 74146		X		

Signatures

/s/ Jonathan M. Cinocca, by Power of Attorney for L. F. Rooney
 11/15/2005
 **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).
- (1) Each share of phantom stock was the economic equivalent of one share of Helmerich & Payne, Inc. common stock. The reporting person settled all of his shares of phantom stock for cash.
- (2) Includes 29,000 shares held indirectly via a corporation controlled by Mr. Rooney.
 The shares of phantom stock become payable, in cash only, at the election of the reporting person either (1) in a lump sum payable no later than 60 days following the termination of the reporting person's service as director or (2) in annual installments for a period of 'x' years (not to exceed 10).

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