

FARRIS G STEVEN  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
 FARRIS G STEVEN

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, SUITE 100  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 12/20/2006

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
 Pres., Chief Exec. / Off. & Chief Op. Off

HOUSTON, TX 77056-4400

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount Price			
Common Stock <u>(1)</u>	12/20/2006		M <sup>(2)</sup>	3,308 A \$ 0	498,076	D	
Common Stock <u>(1)</u>	12/20/2006		F <sup>(3)</sup>	1,206 D \$ 66.57	496,870	D	
Common Stock <u>(1)</u>					300	I	By Son
Common Stock <u>(1)</u>					2,800	I	By Trust fbo Grandchildren
Common Stock <u>(1)</u>					2,000	I	By Trust fbo Son

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Common Stock <u>(1)</u>	49,321.161	I	Held by trustee of 401(k) plan
Common Stock <u>(1)</u>	21,526.162	I	Held by Trustee of NQ 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 (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.	
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
						Code	V	(A)	(D)
Restricted Stock Units <u>(4)</u>	\$ 0 <u>(5)</u>	12/20/2006		M	3,308	<u>(2)</u>	<u>(2)</u>	Common Stock <u>(1)</u>	3,308

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
FARRIS G STEVEN ONE POST OAK CENTRAL 2000 POST OAK BLVD, SUITE 100 HOUSTON, TX 77056-4400	X		Pres., Chief Exec. Off. & Chief Op. Off	

## Signatures

Cheri L. Peper,  
Attorney-in-Fact

12/20/2006

          \*\*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 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 12/18/06 of restricted stock units under employer plan - data provided by plan administrator on 12/20/06. Vesting occurs 25% per year over four years.
- (2) Shares withheld to cover required tax withholding on 12/18/06 vesting of restricted stock - data provided by plan administrator on 12/20/06.
- (3) With tandem tax withholding right
- (4) One share of Apache common stock for each restricted stock unit.

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