

HELMERICH & PAYNE INC

Form 8-K

July 13, 2005

**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549**

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

**PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15 (d)
OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

DATE OF EARLIEST EVENT REPORTED: July 12, 2005

HELMERICH & PAYNE, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

State of Incorporation: Delaware

COMMISSION FILE NUMBER 1-4221

Internal Revenue Service Employer Identification No. 73-0679879

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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

ITEM 1.01 ENTRY INTO A MATERIAL DEFINITIVE AGREEMENT.

On July 12, 2005, Helmerich & Payne, Inc. (Registrant), Helmerich & Payne International Drilling Co., and Bank of Oklahoma, National Association entered into a Fourth Amendment to Credit Agreement which extended the term of the Credit Agreement for an additional 364 day period.

ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.

(c) Exhibits

10.1 Fourth Amendment to Credit Agreement dated July 12, 2005, among Helmerich & Payne, Inc., Helmerich & Payne International Drilling Co., and Bank of Oklahoma, National Association

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly authorized the undersigned to sign this report on its behalf.

HELMERICH & PAYNE, INC.
(Registrant)

/s/ Steven R. Mackey
Steven R. Mackey
Vice President

DATE: July 13, 2005

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