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January 27, 2005

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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 Report (Date of earliest event reported): January 27, 2005

APACHE CORPORATION  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in Charter)

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| DELAWARE  | 1-4300                      | 41-0747868                                 |
| (State or Other Jurisdiction<br>of Incorporation) | (Commission<br>File Number) | (I.R.S. Employer<br>Identification Number) |

2000 POST OAK BOULEVARD  
SUITE 100  
HOUSTON, TEXAS 77056-4400  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (713) 296-6000

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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the

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Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

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

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The information in this Current Report is being furnished and shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act"), or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that Section, and shall not be incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933 or the Exchange Act, except as set forth by specific reference in such filing.

ITEM 2.02. RESULTS OF OPERATIONS AND FINANCIAL CONDITION.

On January 27, 2005, Apache Corporation issued a press release announcing financial and operating results for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2004. The full text of the press release is listed and furnished under Item 9.01 as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

ITEM 9.01. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.

(c) EXHIBITS.

| EXHIBIT NO.<br>----- | DESCRIPTION<br>-----   |
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| 99.1                 | Press Release dated January 27, 2005, "Apache's 2004 Earnings Climb 49 percent to Record \$1.7 Billion, or \$5.03 per Share, as Cash from Operations, Production, Reserves also Reach New Records" |

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

APACHE CORPORATION

Date: January 27, 2005

/s/ ROGER B. PLANK  
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Roger B. Plank  
Executive Vice President and  
Chief Financial Officer

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