APACHE CORP Form 8-K October 26, 2006

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): October 26, 2006

APACHE CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in Charter)

Delaware

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

1-4300

41-0747868

(I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

(Commission File 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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Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On October 26, 2006, Apache Corporation issued a press release announcing financial and operating results for the fiscal quarter ended September 30, 2006. 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. Description

99.1 Press Release dated October 26, 2006, Apache Third-Quarter Earnings: \$646 Million or \$1.94 per Share

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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: October 26, 2006

/s/ Roger B. Plank

Roger B. Plank Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer 4

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