

HELIX ENERGY SOLUTIONS GROUP INC
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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 *
FERRON MARTIN R

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
HELIX ENERGY SOLUTIONS GROUP INC [HELX]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
400 N SAM HOUSTON PARKWAY E, SUITE 400
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
05/25/2006

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

HOUSTON, TX 77060

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | Code | V Amount (A) or (D) Price | | | |
| Common Stock | 05/25/2006 | | M | 5,655 A \$ 9.32 | 198,126 ⁽¹⁾ | D | |

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. |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------|
| Stock Option (Option to Buy) | \$ 9.32 | 05/25/2006 | | M | 5,655 | 03/17/2003 03/17/2013 | Common Stock | 5,655 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|-----------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| FERRON MARTIN R 400 N SAM HOUSTON PARKWAY E SUITE 400 HOUSTON, TX 77060 | X | | PRESIDENT | |

Signatures

/s/ James Lewis Connor, III by Power of Attorney
 Date: 05/25/2006

__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).
- (1) Mr. Ferron's direct holdings include 4,919 shares held through the Company's Employee Stock Purchase Plan. Mr. Ferron also has indirect holdings of 44,340 shares owned by Uncle John Limited Partnership, the general partner of which is an entity that Mr. Ferron controls.
- (2) This option was granted pursuant to the Company's 1995 Long Term Incentive Plan, as amended, and therefore has no purchase or sales price.

Remarks:

The filing of this statement shall not be deemed an admission that any reporting person is, for purposes of section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, a reporting person.

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