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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person \* Statement WEATHERFORD INTERNATIONAL LTD [WFT] Hoyer Carel (Month/Day/Year) 02/06/2009 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 515 POST OAK BLVD., STE. (Check all applicable) 600 (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group 10% Owner Director \_X\_\_ Officer Other Filing(Check Applicable Line) (give title below) (specify below) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting VP - Well Construction Svcs Person HOUSTON, TXÂ 77027 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) Â Common Shares 155,000 (1) D Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security 3. Title and Amount of 5. 6. Nature of Indirect 2. Date Exercisable and Securities Underlying Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) **Expiration Date** Conversion Ownership (Month/Day/Year) **Derivative Security** or Exercise Form of (Instr. 5) (Instr. 4) Price of Derivative Derivative Security: Title Direct (D) Security

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Date Expiration Amount or or Indirect Exercisable Date Number of (I)Shares (Instr. 5) Common  $\hat{A}^{(2)}$  $\hat{A}^{(2)}$ \$ (3) Â **Phantom Share Units** 6,817 D Shares

### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Hoyer Carel
515 POST OAK BLVD., STE. 600 VP - Well Construction Svcs HOUSTON, TXÂ 77027

# **Signatures**

Burt M. Martin, by Power of Attorney 02/12/2009

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Da

### **Explanation of Responses:**

employment, retirement or death of the participant.

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) Shares are restricted share units that vest as follows: 20,000 on December 14, 2009; 15,000 on each of May 7, 2009 and 2011; 30,000 on each of July 9, 2009 and 2011; 7,500 on each of June 6, 2010 and 2012; and 10,000 on each of February 5, 2010, 2011 and 2012.
- The phantom stock units were credited under the Company's Foreign Executive Deferred Compensation Stock Plan (the "FEDC"). The phantom stock units credited are based upon the Company's allocation of an amount equal to 15% of the participant's compensation. All units credited under the FEDC veste at 20% per year for each year of service. Distributions under the Plan are made upon termination of
- (3) The phantom stock units convert to common shares on a one-for-one basis.

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