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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>IRANI RAY R</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>C/O OCCIDENTAL PETROLEUM CORP</u> <u>10889 WILSHIRE BLVD</u> (Street) <u>LOS ANGELES CA</u> <u>90024</u> (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>OCCIDENTAL PETROLEUM CORP /DE/ [OXY]</u>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <p style="text-align: center;">Chairman and CEO</p>
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>08/27/2008</u>	
		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	08/27/2008		M		500,000	A	\$40.805	6,793,600	D	
Common Stock	08/27/2008		F		359,799	D	\$84.46	6,433,801	D	
Common Stock	08/27/2008		M		400,000	A	\$50.445	6,833,801	D	
Common Stock	08/27/2008		F		312,607	D	\$84.46	6,521,194	D	
Common Stock								260,000	I	by limited partnership
Common Stock								12,000	I	by Irani family foundation

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

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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Stock appreciation right	\$40.805	08/27/2008		M			500,000	(1)	07/13/2015	Common Stock	500,000	\$0	0	D	
Stock appreciation right	\$50.445	08/27/2008		M			400,000	(2)	07/19/2016	Common Stock	400,000	\$0	400,000	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- The stock appreciation right vested in three equal installments beginning on July 13, 2006.
- The stock appreciation right vests in three equal installments beginning on July 19, 2007.

/s/ CHRISTEL H. PAULI,
Attorney-in-fact for Ray R. Irani
08/27/2008
 ** Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

* 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).

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