

MERRILL DAVID T
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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 *
MERRILL DAVID T

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
UNIT CORP [UNT]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
7130 SOUTH LEWIS SUITE 1000

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
12/19/2007

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

(Street)
TULSA, OK 74136549

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 (D) Price			
Common Stock <u>(1)</u>	12/19/2007		A	4,160 A \$ 0	7,409	D	
Common Stock <u>(2)</u>	12/19/2007		A	9,134 A \$ 0	16,543	D	
Common Stock					1,233	I	By 401(k)

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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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Appreciation Right	\$ 44.31	12/19/2007		A	15,843	(3) 12/19/2017	Common Stock	15,843

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

Signatures

By Mark E. Schell
under POA 12/20/2007

**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) This Restricted Stock vests in four equal annual installments beginning 01/01/2008.
- (2) This Restricted Stock vests in full on August 23, 2010.
- (3) This SAR vests in three equal annual installments beginning 01/01/2009.

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