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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person* NIKKEL JOHN G				2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol UNIT CORP [UNT]								Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner						
	(Firs	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/04/2006								X	Officer (cive title Other (enecify							
(Street) TULSA (City)	TULSA OK 74136											6. Indiv Line) X	-7					
		Table I	Non-	Derivat	ive Se	cur	ities <i>F</i>	\cq	uired,	Disp	posed of,	or Ben	eficial	ly Owned				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transact Date (Month/Day)				Execution Date				Code (Instr.		4. Securities Acquired (A) o Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned	Form: I (D) or I	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		et al	
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				
		Та	ble II								sposed of			ally Owned s)				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	ion Date cise (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		4. Transaction Code (Instr.		5. Number of		6. Date Exer		cisable and ate	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number deriv ative Securities Beneficiall Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	y C	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercis	able	Expiration Date	Title	Amous or Number of Share	er				
2006 Non Employee Director Option award	\$62.4	05/04/2006			A		3,500		11/03/2	2006	05/03/2016	Common Stock	3,50	\$0	3,500		D	

Explanation of Responses:

By: By Mark E. Schell under

POA

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

05/09/2006

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

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