U.S. SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C.

ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

( ) Check box if no longer subject to Section 16.

Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instructions 1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person Nikkel, John Glen

1000 Kensington Tower

7130 South Lewis

Tulsa, OK 74136

USA

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Unit Corporation

- 3. IRS or Social Security Number of Reporting Person (Voluntary)
- 4. Statement for Month/Year

July 1996

- 5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Year)
- 6. Relationship of Reporting Person to Issuer (Check all applicable) (X) Director ( ) 10% Owner (X) Officer (give title below) ( ) Other (specify below) President and Chief Operating Officer

Table I -- Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1. Title of Security 13. |4.Securities Acquired (A) |5.Amount of |6.Dir |7.Nature of Indirect | Transaction | or Disposed of (D) Securities lect Beneficial Ownership Beneficially | (D) or Owned at |Indir | A/| Date |Code|V| Amount | D | Price | End of Year |ect(I)| |7/23/9|M |V|7,000 |A |\$1.50 |91,354 ΙD

Common Stock 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 176,000 |I\* |Bv Wife Common Stock 114,286 Common Stock ΙI |By Nike Exploration Company|

Explanation of Responses:

The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares and this

report should not be deemed an

admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of such shares for

purpose of Secton 16 or for any

other

purpose.

SIGNATURE OF REPORTING PERSON

John G. Nikkel

DATE

August 6, 1996