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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549 $\,$

FORM 4

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

() Check this 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

Lamborn, Oliver Earle

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 October 1996

5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Year)

December 9, 1996

Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)
 (X) Director () 10% Owner (X) Officer (give title below) () Other (specify below)

Senior Vice President, Drilling

7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)

(X) Form filed by One Reporting Person

() Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

1. Title of Security	2. 3. 4.Securities	•	5.Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Month	6.Dir 7.Nature of Indirect ect Beneficial Ownership (D)or Indir ect(I)
Common Stock	10/15/ M 50,000	A \$1.50	 	
Common Stock	10/15/ F 12,245 96	D \$6.125 	199 , 460	I By wife as Trustee
Common Stock		 	37 , 755	D

Explanation of Responses: SIGNATURE OF REPORTING PERSON /s/ Earle Lamborn DATE January 7, 1997