

# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

## FORM 3

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### SUBJECT COMPANY

#### UNIT CORP

CIK: **798949** | IRS No.: **731283193** | State of Incorporation: **DE** | Fiscal Year End: **1231**  
Type: **3** | Act: **34** | File No.: **001-09260** | Film No.: **98500805**  
SIC: **1311** Crude petroleum & natural gas

Business Address  
1000 KENSINGTON CENTRE  
7130 SOUTH LEWIS  
TULSA OK 74136  
9184937700

### REPORTING OWNER

#### ADCOCK J MICHAEL

CIK: **1052073**  
Type: **3**

Mailing Address	Business Address
1000 KENSINGTON TOWER I	1000 KENSINGTON TOWER I
7130 SOUTH LEWIS AVENUE	730 SOUTH LEWIS AVENUE
TULSA OK 74136	TULSA OK 74136
	9184937700

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person  
 Adcock, J. Michael  
 P. O. Box 3515  
 201 North Broadway  
 Shawnee, OK 74802-3515  
 USA
2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year)  
 12/23/97
3. IRS or Social Security Number of Reporting Person (Voluntary)
4. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 Unit Corporation  
 UNT
5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  
 Director  10% Owner  Officer (give title below)  Other  
 (specify below)
6. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Day/Year)
7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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Table I -- Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
<S> Common Stock	<C> 1,193,873	<C> I	<C> CoTrustee*

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Table II -- Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Derivative Security	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
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Explanation of Responses:

\* The reporting person is one of three Trustees of the Don Bodard 1995 Revocable Trust.

SIGNATURE OF REPORTING PERSON

/s/ J. Michael Adcock

DATE

January 2, 1998