

DIAMOND OFFSHORE DRILLING INC

Form 4

September 08, 2006

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
EADS RODNEY W

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
DIAMOND OFFSHORE
DRILLING INC [DO]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
15415 KATY FREEWAY, SUITE
100

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
09/06/2006

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
____X____ Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify below)
Senior Vice President

(Street)
HOUSTON, TX 77094

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
____X____ Form filed by One Reporting Person
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Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	09/06/2006		M		500	A \$ 39.98	500		D
Common Stock	09/06/2006		S		500	D \$ 78	0		D
Common Stock	09/06/2006		M		500	A \$ 23.65	500		D
Common Stock	09/06/2006		S		500	D \$ 78	0		D
Common Stock	09/06/2006		M		500	A \$ 32.78	500		D

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Common Stock	09/06/2006	S	500	D	\$ 78	0	D
Common Stock	09/06/2006	M	500	A	\$ 22.49	500	D
Common Stock	09/06/2006	S	500	D	\$ 78	0	D

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

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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)		8. P	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 39.98	09/06/2006		M		500		05/18/2006	12/31/2014	Common Stock	500
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 23.65	09/06/2006		M		500		05/18/2006	07/01/2014	Common Stock	500
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 32.78	09/06/2006		M		500		05/18/2006	10/01/2014	Common Stock	500
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 22.49	09/06/2006		M		500		05/18/2006	05/18/2014	Common Stock	500

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
EADS RODNEY W 15415 KATY FREEWAY SUITE 100 HOUSTON, TX 77094			Senior Vice President	

Signatures

/s/ William C. Long Attorney-in-Fact for Rodney W. Eads	09/08/2006
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__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) The options vest in two equal annual installments beginning on May 18, 2007.

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