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DIAMOND OFFSHORE DRILLING INC  
Form 8-K  
October 19, 2004

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, DC 20549

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FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT  
PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE  
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of report (Date of earliest event reported): OCTOBER 19, 2004  
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DIAMOND OFFSHORE DRILLING, INC.  
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(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

DELAWARE	1-13926	76-0321760
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(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(IRS Employer Identification No.)

15415 KATY FREEWAY  
HOUSTON, TEXAS 77094  
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(Address of Principal Executive Offices and Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (281) 492-5300  
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NOT APPLICABLE  
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(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate line below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

\_\_\_ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

\_\_\_ Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)

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\_\_\_ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

\_\_\_ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN THE REPORT

ITEM 2.02. RESULTS OF OPERATIONS AND FINANCIAL CONDITION

On October 19, 2004, Diamond Offshore Drilling, Inc. issued a press release announcing its financial results for the fiscal quarter and nine-month period ended September 30, 2004. A copy of such press release is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1.

The information furnished in this Current Report on Form 8-K, including Exhibit 99.1, is being furnished pursuant to Item 2.02 of Form 8-K and shall not be deemed "filed" with the Securities and Exchange Commission and will not be incorporated by reference into any registration statement filed under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, unless specifically identified therein as being incorporated by reference.

ITEM 9.01. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

(c) Exhibits. The following exhibit is furnished as part of Item 2.02 of this Current Report on Form 8-K:

Exhibit number	Description
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99.1	Press Release dated October 19, 2004

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

DIAMOND OFFSHORE DRILLING, INC.

By: /s/ William C. Long

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William C. Long  
Vice President, General Counsel  
and Secretary

Dated: October 19, 2004

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