

ATWOOD OCEANICS INC  
 Form 3  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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 Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section  
 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Â Campbell Michael Alan (Last) (First) (Middle)  15835 PARK TEN PLACE DRIVE (Street)  HOUSTON, Â TX Â 77084 (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 01/01/2009	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ATWOOD OCEANICS INC [ATW]	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (give title below) (specify below) Vice President / Controller	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock	17,097	D	Â

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

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)  Title	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date		Amount or Number of Shares		or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Nonqualified Stock Options	Â (1)	12/02/2014	Common Stock	3,000	\$ 12.31	D	Â
Nonqualified Stock Options	Â (1)	12/01/2015	Common Stock	3,100	\$ 18.58	D	Â
Nonqualified Stock Options	Â (1)	12/07/2016	Common Stock	2,400	\$ 24.99	D	Â
Nonqualified Stock Options	Â (2)	12/06/2017	Common Stock	4,328	\$ 44.75	D	Â
Nonqualified Stock Options	Â (2)	12/04/2018	Common Stock	4,600	\$ 14.65	D	Â

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Campbell Michael Alan 15835 PARK TEN PLACE DRIVE HOUSTON, TX 77084	Â	Â	Â Vice President	Controller

## Signatures

Michael Alan  
Campbell

01/05/2009

\*\*Signature of  
Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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) These options were granted for a term of ten (10) years (pursuant to Atwood Oceanics, Inc. 2001 Plan), with twenty-five (25%) of such options becoming exercisable at each of one (1) year, two (2) years, three (3) years and four (4) years respectively, from the date of grant.
- (2) These options were granted for a term of ten (10) years (pursuant to Atwood Oceanics, Inc. 2007 Plan), with twenty-five (25%) of such options becoming exercisable at each of one (1) year, two (2) years, three (3) years and four (4) years respectively, from the date of grant.

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