HOFMANN HERBERT C

Form 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * HOFMANN HERBERT C

(Street)

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)

677 MADISON AVENUE

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

_X__ Director 10% Owner _ Other (specify Officer (give title below)

02/17/2006

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 Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

NEW YORK, NY 10021

(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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or			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)	
Common			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	· · · · · ·			
Stock	02/17/2006		M	500	A	\$ 40.12	500	D		
Common Stock	02/17/2006		S	500	D	\$ 78.7527	0	D		
Common Stock	02/17/2006		M	500	A	\$ 49.68	500	D		
Common Stock	02/17/2006		S	500	D	\$ 78.7527	0	D		
Common Stock	02/17/2006		M	500	A	\$ 53.6	500	D		

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D \$ 0 Common 02/17/2006 S 500 D Stock

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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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	ionof Derivative		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (I	O)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 40.12	02/17/2006		M	50	00	01/03/2005	01/03/2015	Common Stock	500
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 49.68	02/17/2006		M	50	00	04/01/2005	04/01/2015	Common Stock	500
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 53.6	02/17/2006		M	50	00	07/01/2005	07/01/2015	Common Stock	500

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
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Signatures

/s/ William C. Long Attorney-in-Fact for Herbert C. Hofmann

02/22/2006

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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