

DIAMOND OFFSHORE DRILLING INC  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 TISCH JAMES S

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)  
 667 MADISON AVE  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 12/21/2007

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
 Chief Executive Officer

NEW YORK, NY 10021

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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(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	12/21/2007		M		1,875 A \$ 19.78	1,875	D
Common Stock	12/21/2007		S		1,875 D \$ 138.2716	0	D
Common Stock	12/21/2007		M		1,875 A \$ 21.23	1,875	D
Common Stock	12/21/2007		S		1,875 D \$ 138.2716	0	D
Common Stock	12/21/2007		M		1,875 A \$ 19.08	1,875	D

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Common Stock	12/21/2007	S	1,875	D	\$ 138.2716	0	D
Common Stock	12/21/2007	M	1,875	A	\$ 20.77	1,875	D
Common Stock	12/21/2007	S	1,875	D	\$ 138.2716	0	D
Common Stock	12/21/2007	M	1,875	A	\$ 22.49	1,875	D
Common Stock	12/21/2007	S	1,875	D	\$ 138.2716	0	D
Common Stock	12/21/2007	M	1,875	A	\$ 23.65	1,875	D
Common Stock	12/21/2007	S	1,875	D	\$ 138.2716	0	D
Common Stock	12/21/2007	M	1,875	A	\$ 32.78	1,875	D
Common Stock	12/21/2007	S	1,875	D	\$ 138.2716	0	D
Common Stock	12/21/2007	M	1,875	A	\$ 39.98	1,875	D
Common Stock	12/21/2007	S	1,875	D	\$ 138.2716	0	D
Common Stock	12/21/2007	M	3,750	A	\$ 45.77	3,750	D
Common Stock	12/21/2007	S	3,750	D	\$ 138.2716	0	D
Common Stock	12/21/2007	M	3,750	A	\$ 53.6	3,750	D
Common Stock	12/21/2007	S	3,750	D	\$ 138.2716	0	D
Common Stock	12/21/2007	M	3,750	A	\$ 61.9	3,750	D
Common Stock	12/21/2007	S	3,750	D	\$ 138.2716	0	D
Common Stock	12/21/2007	M	3,750	A	\$ 69.38	3,750	D
Common Stock	12/21/2007	S	3,750	D	\$ 138.2716	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)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 19.78	12/21/2007		M	1,875	04/22/2007	04/22/2013	Common Stock	1,875
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 21.23	12/21/2007		M	1,875	04/22/2007	07/01/2013	Common Stock	1,875
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 19.08	12/21/2007		M	1,875	04/22/2007	10/01/2013	Common Stock	1,875
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 20.77	12/21/2007		M	1,875	04/22/2007	12/31/2013	Common Stock	1,875
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 22.49	12/21/2007		M	1,875	05/18/2007	05/18/2014	Common Stock	1,875
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 23.65	12/21/2007		M	1,875	05/18/2007	07/01/2014	Common Stock	1,875
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 32.78	12/21/2007		M	1,875	05/18/2007	10/01/2014	Common Stock	1,875

Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 39.98	12/21/2007	M	1,875	05/18/2007	12/31/2014	Common Stock	1,875
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 45.77	12/21/2007	M	3,750	04/19/2006 <sup>(2)</sup>	04/19/2015	Common Stock	3,750
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 53.6	12/21/2007	M	3,750	04/19/2006 <sup>(2)</sup>	07/01/2015	Common Stock	3,750
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 61.9	12/21/2007	M	3,750	04/19/2006 <sup>(2)</sup>	10/03/2015	Common Stock	3,750
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 69.38	12/21/2007	M	3,750	04/19/2006 <sup>(2)</sup>	12/31/2015	Common Stock	3,750

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
TISCH JAMES S 667 MADISON AVE NEW YORK, NY 10021	X		Chief Executive Officer	

## Signatures

/s/ William C. Long Attorney-in-Fact for James S. Tisch 12/27/2007

\*\*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 on May 18, 2008.
  - (2) The options vested in two equal annual installments on April 19, 2006 and April 19, 2007.
  - (3) The options vest in two equal annual installments on April 19, 2008 and April 19, 2009.

### Remarks:

Form 1 of 2 dated December 27, 2007.

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