

Transocean Ltd.
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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 *
MERKSAMER SAMUEL J.

(Last) (First) (Middle)
10 CHEMIN DE BLANDONNET
(Street)
VERNIER, V8 1214
(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
Transocean Ltd. [RIG]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
12/09/2016

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				(A) or (D)	Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price

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	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	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. I
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Derivative Security	(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Units ⁽¹⁾		A		5,976		<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Registered Shares	5,976

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
MERKSAMER SAMUEL J. 10 CHEMIN DE BLANDONNET VERNIER, V8 1214			X	

Signatures

/s/ Daniel Ro-Trock by Power of Attorney
 Date: 12/13/2016

**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) Pursuant to the Agreement and Plan of Merger (the "Merger Agreement"), dated as of August 31, 2016, as amended on November 21, 2016, by and among Transocean Ltd. ("Transocean"), Transocean Partners Holdings Limited, TPHL Holdings, LLC ("Merger Sub") and Transocean Partners LLC ("Transocean Partners"), Transocean Partners merged with Merger Sub (the "Merger"), with Transocean Partners surviving as a wholly owned subsidiary of Transocean. Pursuant to the terms of the Merger Agreement, on December 9, 2016, the reporting person was granted an equity award of Restricted Units of Transocean equal to the number of phantom units of Transocean Partners held by the reporting person immediately prior to the effective time multiplied by 1.20 Transocean Shares. The Restricted Units are 1-for-1 registered share equivalents, and the grant vested on December 9, 2016. The Restricted Units will not be converted into Transocean shares until the reporting person ceases to be a director of Transocean.

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