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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Dew Lyndol L

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

DIAMOND OFFSHORE DRILLING INC [DO]

(Last) (First) (Middle)

(Month/Day/Year)

12/01/2010

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

10% Owner

3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director

X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

Senior Vice President

15415 KATY FREEWAY, SUITE 100

> (Street) 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

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

HOUSTON, TX 77094

Security

(Instr. 3)

(State) (Zip) (City) 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(A)

or

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)

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 1. Title of 5. Number 6. Date Exercisable and Derivative (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction of Derivative Expiration Date Conversion

7. Title and Amou Underlying Secur

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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		(Month/Day/Year)		(Instr. 3 and 4)	
			Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amor Or Nun of

Stock

Appreciation \$ 64.94 12/01/2010 A 2,000 04/01/2011(1) 12/01/2020 Common Stock

Sha

Right

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Dew Lyndol L 15415 KATY FREEWAY SUITE 100 HOUSTON, TX 77094

Senior Vice President

Signatures

/s/ William C. Long Attorney-in-Fact for Lyndol L.
Dew 12/01/2010

**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 stock appreciation rights vest in four equal annual installments beginning on April 1, 2011.

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