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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Last)

(City)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * LONG WILLIAM C

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Senior VP, General Counsel

Issuer

DIAMOND OFFSHORE DRILLING INC [DO]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner

X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

15415 KATY FREEWAY, SUITE 100

(State)

(First)

04/01/2011

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

(Street)

HOUSTON, TX 77094

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

(Zip)

(Middle)

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

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Instr. 3)

(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 Reported

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

(A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) 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 Conversion

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction of Derivative Expiration Date

5. Number

6. Date Exercisable and

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 (Month/Day/Year) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		(Instr. 3 and 4)	
			Code V	/ (A) (I	D) Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title

Stock

Appreciation \$ 78.9 04/01/2011 A 2,000 04/01/2012 Common Stock

Right

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

LONG WILLIAM C 15415 KATY FREEWAY SUITE 100 HOUSTON, TX 77094

Senior VP, General Counsel

Signatures

/s/ William C.

Long 04/04/2011

**Signature of Person

Date

Reporting Person

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, 2012.

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