GRAHAM DENIS J

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES** Form 4 or

Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading **GRAHAM DENIS J** Issuer Symbol PARKER DRILLING CO /DE/ (Check all applicable) [PKD] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) 5 GREENWAY PLAZA, SUITE 100 03/09/2011 **VP** Engineering (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting HOUSTON, TX 77046 Person

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-I	Derivative	Secur	rities Acq	uired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any	Code	Cransaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially	6. Ownership Form: Direct	
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8) Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)
401K Common Stock							19,832.7089 (1)	I	401(k) Plan
Common Stock	03/09/2011		F	17,326	D	\$ 5.295	307,489	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)

8. Price Derivation Security (Instr. 5)

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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivativ Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	5	ate	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0					(2)	(3)	Common Stock	54,920

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
Reporting Owner Name / Address	

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

VP

Engineering

GRAHAM DENIS J 5 GREENWAY PLAZA, SUITE 100

HOUSTON, TX 77046

Signatures

Denis J. Graham 03/11/2011

**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) Shares of PKD common stock in 401(k) as of March 9, 2011.
- (2) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of PKD common stock.
- (3) Of the currently reported 54,920 restricted stock units 22,220 vest in two annual installments of 50% on each of March 1, 2012 and March 1, 2013, respectively. The remaining balance of derivative securities (32,700) vests 100% on July 23, 2013.

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