HERCULES OFFSHORE, INC. Form 8-K December 13, 2007

UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d)

of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of report (date of earliest event reported): December 7, 2007

HERCULES OFFSHORE, INC.

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE (State of incorporation

0-51582 (Commission file number) 56-2542838 (I.R.S. employer

or organization)

identification number)

11 GREENWAY PLAZA, SUITE 2950

HOUSTON, TEXAS (Address of principal executive offices)

77046

(Zip code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (713) 979-9300

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On December 7, 2007, the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors of Hercules Offshore, Inc. (the Company) approved the payment of a special cash bonus of \$200,000 to each of Lisa W. Rodriguez, John T. Rynd and James W. Noe to reward and encourage their substantial and continuing efforts arising out of the integration of TODCO with the operations of the Company. Lisa Rodriguez is the Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of the Company. John Rynd is the Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer of the Company. James Noe is the Senior Vice President, General Counsel, Chief Compliance Officer and Secretary of the Company.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

HERCULES OFFSHORE, INC.

Date: December 13, 2007 By: /s/ James W. Noe Name: James W. Noe

Title: Senior Vice President, General Counsel, Chief Compliance Officer

and Secretary