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Form 4

September 14, 2005

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * HOFMANN HERBERT C

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

DIAMOND OFFSHORE DRILLING INC [DO]

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

(Street)

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

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

677 MADISON AVENUE

09/12/2005

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

Person

NEW YORK, NY 10021

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Beneficially (D) or Owned Indirect (I) Following (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	09/12/2005		M	500	A	\$ 29.2	500	D	
Common Stock	09/12/2005		S	500	D	\$ 59.26	0	D	
Common Stock	09/12/2005		M	500	A	\$ 19.88	500	D	
Common Stock	09/12/2005		S	500	D	\$ 59.26	0	D	
Common Stock	09/12/2005		M	500	A	\$ 21.66	500	D	

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Common Stock	09/12/2005	S	500	D	\$ 59.26	0	D
Common Stock	09/12/2005	M	500	A	\$ 19.6	500	D
Common Stock	09/12/2005	S	500	D	\$ 59.26	0	D
Common Stock	09/12/2005	M	500	A	\$ 21.23	500	D
Common Stock	09/12/2005	S	500	D	\$ 59.26	0	D
Common Stock	09/12/2005	M	500	A	\$ 19.08	500	D
Common Stock	09/12/2005	S	500	D	\$ 59.26	0	D

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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 Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	onof		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 29.2	09/12/2005		M		500	07/01/2002	07/01/2007	Common Stock	500
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 19.88	09/12/2005		M		500	10/01/2002	10/01/2007	Common Stock	500
	\$ 21.66	09/12/2005		M		500	01/02/2003	01/02/2008		500

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Stock Option (right to buy)					Common Stock
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 19.6	09/12/2005	M	500 04/01/2003 04/01/2	008 Common Stock 500
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 21.23	09/12/2005	M	500 07/01/2003 07/01/2	008 Common Stock 500
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 19.08	09/12/2005	M	500 10/01/2003 10/01/2	008 Common Stock 500

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
reporting owner reduce, reduces	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
HOFMANN HERBERT C 677 MADISON AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10021	X					

Signatures

/s/ William C. Long Attorney-in-Fact for Herbert C.
Hofmann

09/14/2005

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
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