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DIAMOND OFFSHORE DRILLING INC

Form 4 April 21, 2005

FORM 4

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

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obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

LONG WILLIAM C

(Last)

(City)

(First) (Middle)

15415 KATY FREEWAY, SUITE 100

(Street)

(State)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

DIAMOND OFFSHORE DRILLING INC [DO]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 04/19/2005

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

VP, General Counsel, Secretary

6. Ownership

Form: Direct

(Instr. 4)

below)

10% Owner Other (specify

7. Nature of

Ownership

(Instr. 4)

(9-02)

Indirect

(D) or Indirect Beneficial

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burden hours per

5. Amount of

Securities

Beneficially

Issuer

below)

Director

X_ Officer (give title

HOUSTON, TX 77094

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3)

(Zip)

(Month/Day/Year)

4. Securities 3. TransactionAcquired (A) or Code (Instr. 8)

Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

(A)

Following Reported Transaction(s)

Owned

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

5. Number

6. Date Exercisable and (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction of Derivative Expiration Date

7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities

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| Security (Instr. 3) | or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | | any (Month/Day/Year) | Code (Instr. 8 | 3) A (I (| 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 | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 45.77 | 04/19/2005 | | A | | 1,375 | | 04/19/2006(1) | 04/19/2015 | Common Stock | 1,375 |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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

VP, General Counsel, Secretary

Signatures

/s/ William C.

Long 04/21/2005

**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 options vest in four equal annual installments beginning on April 19, 2006.

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