

TIDEWATER INC  
Form 3  
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**FORM 3 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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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)

<p>1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *</p> <p>Demarest Craig</p> <p>(Last) (First) (Middle)</p> <p>C/O TIDEWATER INC., 601 POYDRAS ST., STE. 1900</p> <p>(Street)</p> <p>NEW ORLEANS, LA 70130</p> <p>(City) (State) (Zip)</p>	<p>2. Date of Event Requiring Statement</p> <p>(Month/Day/Year)</p> <p>06/02/2008</p>	<p>3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol</p> <p>TIDEWATER INC [TDW]</p>	<p>4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer</p> <p>(Check all applicable)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other (give title below) (specify below) Principal Accounting Officer</p>	<p>5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)</p>	<p>6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person</p>
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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock	14,512	D	
Common Stock	339.3248 <sup>(3)</sup>	I	Through 401(k) Plan

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly. SEC 1473 (7-02)

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of	5. Ownership Form of Derivative	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Options (right to buy)	03/29/2006 <sup>(1)</sup>	03/29/2016	Common Stock	12,500	\$ 55.76	D	Â
Options (right to buy)	03/21/2008	03/21/2017	Common Stock	4,167	\$ 57.65	D	Â
Options (right to buy)	03/05/2009 <sup>(2)</sup>	03/05/2018	Common Stock	7,732	\$ 56.71	D	Â

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Demarest Craig C/O TIDEWATER INC. 601 POYDRAS ST., STE. 1900 NEW ORLEANS, LA 70130	Â	Â	Â Principal Accounting Officer	Â

## Signatures

/s/ D. Clayton Cambre on behalf  
of Craig J. Demarest pursuant to a  
power of attorney

06/04/2008

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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 1/3 per year beginning March 29, 2006.
- (2) The options vest 1/3 per year beginning March 5, 2009.
- (3) Based on plan statement as of May 30, 2008.

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