

DIAMOND OFFSHORE DRILLING INC  
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**FORM 4**

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**GORDON BETH G**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**DIAMOND OFFSHORE DRILLING INC [DO]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 15415 KATY FREEWAY, SUITE 100  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 04/21/2006

\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 Controller

HOUSTON, TX 77094

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount or Price		
Common Stock	04/21/2006		M		188 A \$ 29.33	188	D
Common Stock	04/21/2006		S		188 D \$ 95.50	0	D
Common Stock	04/21/2006		M		188 A \$ 29.2	188	D
Common Stock	04/21/2006		S		188 D \$ 95.50	0	D
Common Stock	04/21/2006		M		188 A \$ 19.88	188	D

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Common Stock	04/21/2006	S	188	D	\$ 95.5 0	D
Common Stock	04/21/2006	M	188	A	\$ 21.93 188	D
Common Stock	04/21/2006	S	188	D	\$ 95.5 0	D
Common Stock	04/21/2006	M	225	A	\$ 45.77 225	D
Common Stock	04/21/2006	S	225	D	\$ 95.5 0	D
Common Stock	04/21/2006	M	225	A	\$ 53.6 225	D
Common Stock	04/21/2006	S	225	D	\$ 95.5 0	D
Common Stock	04/21/2006	M	225	A	\$ 61.9 225	D
Common Stock	04/21/2006	S	225	D	\$ 95.5 0	D
Common Stock	04/21/2006	M	225	A	\$ 69.38 225	D
Common Stock	04/21/2006	S	225	D	\$ 95.5 0	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)

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Amount or Number of Shares	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 29.33	04/21/2006	M	188	04/15/2003 <sup>(1)</sup>	04/15/2012	Common Stock	188
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 29.2	04/21/2006	M	188	04/15/2003 <sup>(1)</sup>	07/01/2012	Common Stock	188
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 19.88	04/21/2006	M	188	04/15/2003 <sup>(1)</sup>	10/01/2012	Common Stock	188
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 21.93	04/21/2006	M	188	04/15/2003 <sup>(1)</sup>	12/31/2012	Common Stock	188
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 45.77	04/21/2006	M	225	04/19/2006 <sup>(2)</sup>	04/19/2015	Common Stock	225
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 53.6	04/21/2006	M	225	04/19/2006 <sup>(2)</sup>	07/01/2015	Common Stock	225
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 61.9	04/21/2006	M	225	04/19/2006 <sup>(2)</sup>	10/03/2015	Common Stock	225
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 69.38	04/21/2006	M	225	04/19/2006 <sup>(2)</sup>	12/31/2015	Common Stock	225

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
GORDON BETH G 15415 KATY FREEWAY SUITE 100 HOUSTON, TX 77094			Controller	

## Signatures

/s/ William C. Long Attorney-in-Fact for Beth G.  
Gordon

04/21/2006

\_\_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) The options vested in four equal annual installments on April 15, 2003, 2004, 2005 and 2006.
  - (2) The options vested on April 19, 2006.
  - (3) The options vest in three equal annual installments beginning on April 19, 2007.

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