

LAPEYRE JAMES M JR  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**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 \*  
LAPEYRE JAMES M JR

(Last) (First) (Middle)

2105 CITYWEST  
BOULEVARD, SUITE 400

(Street)

HOUSTON, TX 77042-2839

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
ION GEOPHYSICAL CORP [IO]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
05/11/2011

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock	03/15/2011		G		\$ 0	1,593,207	D
Common stock	05/11/2011		P		\$ 9.9164	1,623,207	D
Common Stock						7,605,345	I Held by Laitram LLC
Common Stock						5,700	I Held in joint account with

Common Stock						10,500	I	spouse. As co-trustee for children	
Common Stock	05/11/2011		P	10,000	A	\$ 9.9657	187,600	I	Joint acct with adult child.
Common Stock	05/11/2011		P	10,000	A	\$ 9.8615	187,600	I	Joint acct with adult child.
Common Stock	05/11/2011		P	10,000	A	\$ 9.856	200,380	I	Joint acct with adult child.

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. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Transaction (Instr. 6)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
LAPEYRE JAMES M JR 2105 CITYWEST BOULEVARD SUITE 400 HOUSTON, TX 77042-2839	X			

## Signatures

/s/ Debra A. Addington,  
attorney-in-fact

05/12/2011

\_\_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).

### Remarks:

The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of all securities shown as indirectly owned by him.

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