Barton Laura Lionetti Form 4/A January 20, 2009

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1 Name and Address of Reporting Person *

1(b).

Barton Laura Lionetti				2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ODYSSEY MARINE EXPLORATION INC [OMEX]					Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First) (Middle) 5215 WEST LAUREL STREET				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2008					Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) VP of Communications			
(Street) TAMPA, FL 33607				4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) 01/05/2009					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
	(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabl	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	rities Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
	1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction D (Month/Day/Yea	ar) Execution	emed on Date, if 'Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi on(A) or D (Instr. 3,	ispose 4 and (A) or	d of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		
	Common Stock	12/31/2008			M	4,667	A	\$ 0	54,667	D		
	Common Stock	12/31/2008			F(1)	1,235	A	\$ 3.085	53,432	D		
	Common Stock								5,000	I	By Husband	

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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative 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 Underlying Securitie (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Sha
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(2)</u>	12/31/2008		M		4,667	(3)	(3)	Common Stock	4,66
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 3.51	01/02/2009		A	60,000		<u>(4)</u>	12/31/2013	Common Stock	60,00

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address			Relationships	
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Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Barton Laura Lionetti 5215 WEST LAUREL STREET TAMPA, FL 33607

VP of Communications

Signatures

/s/ Laural L.
Barton

**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) Shares delivered to the Issuer to satisfy tax liability obligations related to vesting of restricted stock in accordance with Rule 16b-3.
- (2) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of OMEX common stock.
- (3) The restricted stock units vest in annual installments beginning December 31, 2008.
- (4) Vesting one-third on December 31, 2009, 2010 and 2011.

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