FABRIKANT CHARLES

Form 4

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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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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

FABRIKANT CHARLES

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)

(Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 12/17/2010

X_ Director Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify

460 PARK AVENUE, 12TH **FLOOR**

(Street)

(State)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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

Table I Non Derivative Securities Acquired Disposed of an Deneficially Ov

NEW YORK, NY 10022

(City)

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1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securi	ties A	cquired	5. Amount of	6. Ownership	7. Nature of
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transaction(A) or Disposed of			d of	Securities	Form: Direct	Indirect
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	Code (D)			Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership	
						Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)	
					(A)		Reported		
					or		Transaction(s)		
			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	12/17/2010		X	500	A	\$ 73.5	500	D	
Common Stock	12/17/2010		X	500	A	\$ 73.5	500	I	By mother's estate

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) 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any (Code Derivative (Month/Day/Year) (Month/Day/Year) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Securities (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		vative arities uired or oosed O) rr. 3, 4,	6. Date Exerci Expiration Dat (Month/Day/Y	te	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)			
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Put option (obligation to buy)	\$ 75	12/17/2010		X		500	05/03/2010	12/18/2010	Common Stock	500
Put option (obligation to buy)	\$ 75	12/17/2010		X		500	05/03/2010	12/18/2010	Common Stock	500

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
FABRIKANT CHARLES 460 PARK AVENUE 12TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10022	X						

Signatures

/s/ William C. Long Attorney-in-Fact for Charles L. Fabrikant 12/21/2010

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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