LONG WILLIAM C Form 4

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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 *

LONG WILLIAM C

(Last) (First)

(Middle)

15415 KATY FREEWAY, SUITE 100

(Street)

HOUSTON, TX 77094

(State)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

DIAMOND OFFSHORE DRILLING INC [DO]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

10/01/2012

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

3.

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

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3)

(City)

(Zip)

(Month/Day/Year)

TransactionAcquired (A) or Code (Instr. 8)

Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

4. Securities

Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

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 Conversion

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

5. Number

6. Date Exercisable and (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction of Derivative Expiration Date

7. Title and Amou Underlying Secur

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Senior VP, General Counsel

6. Ownership

Form: Direct

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

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

(I)

(Instr. 4)

10% Owner Other (specify

7. Nature of

Ownership (Instr. 4)

Indirect

(D) or Indirect Beneficial

Issuer

below)

Director

Applicable Line)

5. Amount of

Securities

Following

Owned

Beneficially

X_ Officer (give title

Estimated average

burden hours per

1

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Security or Exercise Securities (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code (Instr. 3) Price of (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired Derivative (A) or Security Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) Title Code V (A) (D) Date Exercisable Expiration Am Date or Nur of

Stock

Appreciation \$ 66.04 10/01/2012 A 2,000 04/02/2013(1) 10/01/2022 Common Stock

Right

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

LONG WILLIAM C 15415 KATY FREEWAY SUITE 100 HOUSTON, TX 77094

Senior VP, General Counsel

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Signatures

Reporting Person

/s/ William C.

Long 10/02/2012

**Signature of 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 stock appreciation rights vest in four equal annual installments beginning on April 2, 2013.

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