

Schlom Philip A
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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 *
 Schlom Philip A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 PARKER DRILLING CO /DE/ [PKD]

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

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 5 GREENWAY PLAZA, SUITE 100
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 12/08/2010

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 ____ Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify below)
 PAO/Controller

HOUSTON, TX 77046

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

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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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (D) Price			
401K Common Stock					3,896 ⁽¹⁾	I	401k
Common Stock	12/08/2010		A	7,000 A \$ 4.3	48,000	D	
Common Stock	12/08/2010		F	1,852 D \$ 4.3	46,148	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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares
				Code V (A) (D)		Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title	
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0	12/08/2010		A	21,000	(2) 12/08/2012	Common Stock	21,000
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0	12/08/2010		D	7,000	12/08/2010 12/08/2010	Common Stock	7,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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HOUSTON, TX 77046

PAO/Controller

Signatures

Philip A. Schlom 12/10/2010

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

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

** 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 of PKD common stock in 401(k) as of December 9, 2010.

(2) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of PKD common stock. The restricted stock units vest in three, equal annual installments beginning December 8, 2010.

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