

DIAMOND OFFSHORE DRILLING INC  
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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 \*  
**TISCH JAMES S**

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)  
**667 MADISON AVE**  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**12/21/2007**

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

**NEW YORK, NY 10021**  
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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**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) or Price (A)		
Common Stock	12/21/2007		M		1,875 A \$ 92.67	1,875	D
Common Stock	12/21/2007		F		1,327 D \$ 130.885	548	D
Common Stock	12/21/2007		S		548 D \$ 138.2716	0	D
Common Stock	12/21/2007		M		1,875 A \$ 83.44	1,875	D
Common Stock	12/21/2007		F		1,195 D \$ 130.885	680	D

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Common Stock	12/21/2007	S	680	D	\$ 138.2716	0	D
Common Stock	12/21/2007	M	1,875	A	\$ 71.87	1,875	D
Common Stock	12/21/2007	F	1,029	D	\$ 130.885	846	D
Common Stock	12/21/2007	S	846	D	\$ 138.2716	0	D
Common Stock	12/21/2007	M	1,875	A	\$ 79.77	1,875	D
Common Stock	12/21/2007	F	1,142	D	\$ 130.885	733	D
Common Stock	12/21/2007	S	733	D	\$ 138.2716	0	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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Appreciation Right	\$ 92.67	12/21/2007		M	1,875	04/27/2007 04/27/2016	Common Stock	1,875
Stock Appreciation Right	\$ 83.44	12/21/2007		M	1,875	04/27/2007 07/03/2016	Common Stock	1,875
Stock Appreciation Right	\$ 71.87	12/21/2007		M	1,875	04/27/2007 10/02/2016	Common Stock	1,875

