

ATWOOD OCEANICS 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 *
Smith Barry Michael

(Last) (First) (Middle)
15011 KATY FREEWAY, SUITE 800
(Street)

HOUSTON, TX 77094

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
ATWOOD OCEANICS INC [ATW]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
12/08/2016

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Sr. VP - Technical Services

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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	12/08/2016		M		5,139	A	11.97
Common Stock	12/08/2016		F		1,406	D	\$ 11.97

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)
Performance-Based Restricted Stock Units	(1)	12/08/2016		M	5,139	(1) (1)	Atwood Oceanics, Inc. Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Smith Barry Michael 15011 KATY FREEWAY SUITE 800 HOUSTON, TX 77094			Sr. VP - Technical Services	

Signatures

/s/ Barry Smith, Walter A. Baker By Power of Attorney
 12/12/2016
 **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).
- The performance-based restricted stock units vested on December 8, 2016, following a three-year performance period, based upon
- (1) company total shareholder return compared with the total shareholder return of a designated peer group over the vesting period. Vested units were settled in shares of common stock. Units that did not vest were forfeited.
 - (2) Represents shares withheld upon the vesting of performance-based restricted stock units in order to satisfy the reporting person's tax withholding obligation upon such vesting.

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