



Diamond Offshore Announces Closing of Senior Notes Offering

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HOUSTON, Nov. 5, 2013 /PRNewswire/ -- Diamond Offshore Drilling, Inc. (NYSE: DO) today announced the completion of the offering of \$1.0 billion aggregate principal amount of senior notes consisting of \$250 million of 3.45% senior unsecured notes due 2023 and \$750 million of 4.875% senior unsecured notes due 2043. The transaction resulted in net proceeds to Diamond Offshore, after deducting underwriting discounts and estimated expenses payable by the Company, of approximately \$988.1 million.

The offering of the notes was made pursuant to the Company's shelf registration statement on Form S-3 (Registration No. 333-180004) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission. The offering was underwritten by J.P. Morgan Securities LLC, Wells Fargo Securities, LLC, Citigroup Global Markets Inc., HSBC Securities (USA) Inc., and SunTrust Robinson Humphrey, Inc., as Joint Book-Running Managers. A copy of the prospectus supplement and accompanying base prospectus relating to the offering may be obtained by calling J.P. Morgan Securities LLC collect at (212) 834-4533 or Wells Fargo Securities, LLC toll-free at (800) 326-5897.

This press release does not constitute an offer to sell or a solicitation of an offer to buy any securities nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any state or jurisdiction in which such an offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such jurisdiction. The offering is being made only through the prospectus supplement and accompanying base prospectus, which is part of an effective shelf registration statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 9, 2012.

ABOUT DIAMOND OFFSHORE

Diamond Offshore is a leader in offshore drilling, providing contract drilling services to the energy industry around the globe with a total fleet of 45 offshore drilling rigs, including seven rigs under construction. Diamond Offshore's fleet consists of 33 semisubmersibles, three of which are under construction, five dynamically positioned drillships, four of which are under construction, and seven jack-ups. Diamond Offshore is owned 50.4% by Loews Corporation (NYSE: L).

FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

Statements contained in this press release which are not historical facts are "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the federal securities laws. Forward-looking statements are inherently uncertain and subject to a variety of risks that could cause actual results to differ materially from those expected by management of the Company. A discussion of the important risk factors and other considerations that could materially impact these matters as well as the Company's overall business and financial performance can be found in the Company's reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission and readers of this release are urged to review those reports carefully when considering these forward-looking statements. Given these risk factors, investors and analysts should not place undue reliance on forward-looking statements. Any such forward-looking statements speak only as of the date of this press release. The Company expressly disclaims any obligation or undertaking to release publicly any updates or revisions to any forward-looking statement to reflect any change in the Company's expectations with regard thereto or any change in events, conditions or circumstances on which any forward-looking statement is based.

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