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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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GORDON BI			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>DIAMOND OFFSHORE DRILLING INC</u> [DO]		tionship of Reporting Perso all applicable) Director Officer (give title below)	on(s) to Issuer 10% Owner Other (specify below)
(Last) 15415 KATY FR SUITE 100	(First) REEWAY	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2004		Controller	
(Street) HOUSTON (City)	TX (State)	77094 (Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv Line) X	idual or Joint/Group Filing (Form filed by One Repor Form filed by More than Person	ting Person

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)					5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	12/31/2004		М		525	A	\$33.51	525	D		
Common Stock	12/31/2004		S		525	D	\$40	0	D		
Common Stock	12/31/2004		М		525	A	\$24.6	525	D		
Common Stock	12/31/2004		S		525	D	\$40	0	D		
Common Stock	12/31/2004		М		525	A	\$30.53	525	D		
Common Stock	12/31/2004		S		525	D	\$40	0	D		
Common Stock	12/31/2004		М		375	A	\$29.33	375	D		
Common Stock	12/31/2004		S		375	D	\$40	0	D		
Common Stock	12/31/2004		М		375	A	\$29.2	375	D		
Common Stock	12/31/2004		S		375	D	\$40	0	D		
Common Stock	12/31/2004		М		375	A	\$19.88	375	D		
Common Stock	12/31/2004		S		375	D	\$40	0	D		
Common Stock	12/31/2004		М		375	A	\$21.93	375	D		
Common Stock	12/31/2004		S		375	D	\$40	0	D		
Common Stock	12/31/2004		М		187	A	\$19.78	187	D		
Common Stock	12/31/2004		S		187	D	\$40	0	D		
Common Stock	12/31/2004		М		187	A	\$21.23	187	D		
Common Stock	12/31/2004		S		187	D	\$40	0	D		
Common Stock	12/31/2004		М		187	A	\$19.08	187	D		
Common Stock	12/31/2004		S		187	D	\$40	0	D		
Common Stock	12/31/2004		М		187	A	\$20.77	187	D		
Common Stock	12/31/2004		S		187	D	\$40	0	D		

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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
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				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$39.98	12/31/2004		A		750		05/18/2005 ⁽¹⁾	12/31/2014	Common Stock	750	\$0.00	750	D	
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$33.51	12/31/2004		М			525	04/12/2002 ⁽²⁾	07/02/2011	Common Stock	525	\$0.00	175	D	
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$24.6	12/31/2004		М			525	04/12/2002 ⁽²⁾	10/01/2011	Common Stock	525	\$0.00	175	D	
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$30.53	12/31/2004		М			525	04/12/2002 ⁽²⁾	01/02/2012	Common Stock	525	\$0.00	175	D	
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$29.33	12/31/2004		М			375	04/15/2003 ⁽³⁾	04/15/2012	Common Stock	375	\$0.00	375	D	
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$29.2	12/31/2004		М			375	04/15/2003 ⁽³⁾	07/01/2012	Common Stock	375	\$0.00	375	D	
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$19.88	12/31/2004		М			375	04/15/2003 ⁽³⁾	10/01/2012	Common Stock	375	\$0.00	375	D	
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$21.93	12/31/2004		М			375	04/15/2003 ⁽³⁾	12/31/2012	Common Stock	375	\$0.00	375	D	
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$19.78	12/31/2004		М			187	04/22/2004	04/22/2013	Common Stock	187	\$0.00	563	D	
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$21.23	12/31/2004		М			187	04/22/2004	07/01/2013	Common Stock	187	\$0.00	563	D	
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$19.08	12/31/2004		М			187	04/22/2004	10/01/2013	Common Stock	187	\$0.00	563	D	
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$20.77	12/31/2004		М			187	04/22/2004	12/31/2013	Common Stock	187	\$0.00	563	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. The options vest in four equal annual installments beginning on May 18, 2005.

2. The options vested in three equal annual installments on April 12, 2002, 2003 and 2004.

3. The options vested in two equal annual installments on April 15, 2003 and 2004.

Remarks:

<u>/s/ William C. Long Attorney-</u> <u>in-Fact for Beth G. Gordon</u> ** Signature of Reporting Person

01/04/2005

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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

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