

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC 20549

FORM 8-KCURRENT REPORT
PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(D) OF THE
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934Date of report: OCTOBER 16, 2002
-----Date of earliest event reported: OCTOBER 14, 2002

DIAMOND OFFSHORE DRILLING, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

DELAWARE

1-13926

76-0321760
-----(State or Other Jurisdiction
of Incorporation)(Commission
File Number)(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

15415 KATY FREEWAY, HOUSTON, TEXAS

77094

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (281) 492-5300
-----NOT APPLICABLE

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN THE REPORT

ITEM 7. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, PRO FORMA FINANCIAL INFORMATION AND EXHIBITS

(c) Exhibits.

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99.1	Rig Status Report as of October 14, 2002
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ITEM 9. REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE

The Registrant hereby incorporates by reference into this Item 9 the summary report of the status, as of October 14, 2002, of the offshore drilling rigs of the Registrant attached as Exhibit 99.1, which is being furnished in accordance with Rule 101(e)(1) under Regulation FD and shall not be deemed to be filed.

Statements in this report that contain "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, include, but are not limited to, statements regarding the current term, start and end dates and comments concerning future contracts and availability and other aspects of the Registrant's drilling rigs. Such statements are inherently subject to a variety of risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those anticipated or projected. A discussion of the risk factors that could impact these areas and the Registrant's overall business and financial performance can be found in the Registrant's reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission. These factors include, among others, general economic and business conditions, casualty losses, industry fleet capacity, changes in foreign and domestic oil and gas exploration and production activity,

competition, changes in foreign, political, social and economic conditions, regulatory initiatives and compliance with governmental regulations, customer preferences and various other matters, many of which are beyond the Registrant's control. Given these concerns, investors and analysts should not place undue reliance on forward-looking statements. Each forward-looking statement speaks only as of the date of the rig status report, and the Registrant undertakes no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

DIAMOND OFFSHORE DRILLING, INC.

By: /s/ William C. Long

William C. Long
Vice President, General Counsel
& Secretary

Dated: October 16, 2002

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DIAMOND OFFSHORE DRILLING, INC. RIG STATUS REPORT AS OF
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RIG NAME	RATED WATER DEPTH	DESIGN	LOCATION	STATUS	OPERATOR
Ocean Crusader	200'	Mat Cantilever	GOM	Contracted	Walter Oil & Gas
Ocean Drake	200'	Mat Cantilever	GOM	Contracted	ChevronTexaco
Ocean Champion	250'	Mat Slot	GOM	Cold Stacked	-
Ocean Columbia	250'	Independent Leg Cantilever	GOM	Contracted	Spinnaker
Ocean Sovereign	250'	Independent Leg Cantilever	Indonesia	Contracted	CNOOC
Ocean Heritage	300'	Independent Leg Cantilever	Singapore	Shipyard for water-depth upgrade	-
Ocean Spartan	300'	Independent Leg Cantilever	GOM	Shipyard for water-depth upgrade	-
Ocean Spur	300'	Independent Leg Cantilever	GOM	Shipyard for water-depth upgrade	-
Ocean King	300'	Independent Leg Cantilever	GOM	Contracted	BP
Ocean Nugget	300'	Independent Leg Cantilever	GOM	Contracted	Pogo Producing
Ocean Summit	300'	Independent Leg Cantilever	GOM	Contracted	EOG Resources
Ocean Warwick	300'	Independent Leg Cantilever	GOM	Contracted	BP
Ocean Titan	350'	Independent Leg Slot	GOM	Contracted	Walter Oil & Gas
Ocean Tower	350'	Independent Leg Cantilever	GOM	Shipyard for cantilever upgrade	-
Ocean Liberator	600'	Aker H-3	S. Africa	Under tow	-
Ocean Century	800'	Korkut	GOM	Cold Stacked	-
Ocean Ambassador	1,100'	Bethlehem SS-2000	GOM	Contracted	El Paso
Ocean Nomad	1,200'	Aker H-3	North Sea	Contracted	Agip
Ocean New Era	1,500'	Korkut	GOM	Stacked	-
Ocean Bounty	1,500'	Victory Class	Australia	Contracted	Shell

RIG NAME	RATED WATER DEPTH	DESIGN	LOCATION	STATUS	OPERATOR
Ocean Guardian	1,500'	Earl & Wright Sedco 711 Series	North Sea	Contracted	Shell
Ocean Princess	1,500'	Aker H-3	North Sea	Shipyard	-
Ocean Whittington	1,500'	Aker H-3	Ghana	Idle	-
Ocean Epoch	1,640'	Korkut	Vietnam	Contracted	BP
Ocean General	1,640'	Korkut	Vietnam	Contracted	PetroVietnam
Ocean Prospector	1,700'	Victory Class	GOM	Cold Stacked	-
Ocean Endeavor	2,000'	Victory Class	GOM	Cold Stacked	-
Ocean Concord	2,200'	F&G SS-2000	GOM	Contracted	-
Ocean Lexington	2,200'	F&G SS-2000	GOM	Contracted	LLOG

Ocean Saratoga	2,200'	F&G SS-2000	GOM	Contracted	Taylor Energy
Ocean Yorktown	2,850'	F&G SS-2000	Brazil	Contracted	Enterprise
Ocean Voyager	3,200'	Victory Class	GOM	Cold Stacked	-
Ocean Yatzy	3,300'	DP DYVI Super Yatzy	Brazil	Contracted	Petrobras
Ocean Worker	3,500'	F&G 9500 Enhanced Pacesetter	GOM	Contracted	Amerada Hess
Ocean Quest	3,500'	Victory Class	GOM	Shipyard for special survey	-
Ocean Winner	3,500'	Aker H-3	Brazil	Contracted	Petrobras
Ocean Alliance	5,000'	Alliance Class	Brazil	Contracted	Petrobras
Ocean Star	5,500'	Victory Class	GOM	Contracted	Kerr McGee
Ocean Victory	5,500'	Victory Class	GOM	Shipyard for special survey	-
Ocean America	5,500'	Ocean Odyssey	GOM	Stacked	-
Ocean Valiant	5,500'	Ocean Odyssey	GOM	Contracted	Murphy

RIG NAME	RATED WATER DEPTH	DESIGN	LOCATION	STATUS	OPERATOR
Ocean Baroness	7,000'	Victory Class	Malaysia	Contracted	Murphy
Ocean Rover	7,000'	Victory Class	Singapore	Shipyard Upgrade	-
Ocean Confidence	7,500'	DP Aker H-3.2 Modified	GOM	Contracted	BP
Ocean Clipper	7,500'	DP Fluor/Mitsubishi	Brazil	Contracted	Petrobras

NOTES:

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RIG NAME	CURRENT TERM	START DATE	ESTIMATED END DATE
Ocean Crusader	one well	late September 2002	late October 2002
Ocean Drake	one well plus option	mid September 2002	late October 2002
Ocean Champion	-	early August 2001	-
Ocean Columbia	one well plus option	mid September 2002	late October 2002
Ocean Sovereign	first two months of Ocean Heritage contract - see Ocean Heritage below	mid October 2002	mid December 2002
Ocean Heritage	-	late June 2002	mid December 2002
Ocean Spartan	-	early April 2002	mid October 2002
Ocean Spur	-	mid April 2002	mid November 2002
Ocean King	90-day extension plus option	early August 2002	mid December 2002
Ocean Nugget	third of three wells plus option	late July 2002	early November 2002
Ocean Summit	one well plus option	early September 2002	late October 2002
Ocean Warwick	one year	early January 2002	late December 2002
Ocean Titan	one well plus option	early October 2002	early January 2003
Ocean Tower	-	mid August 2002	mid February 2003
Ocean Liberator	-	late September 2002	early November 2002
Ocean Century	-	1998	-
Ocean Ambassador	one well plus option	mid August 2002	early November 2002
Ocean Nomad	one well plus two one well options	mid October 2002	mid December 2002
Ocean New Era	-	late October 2001	-
Ocean Bounty	mobe to New Zealand	mid October 2002	late October 2002

RIG NAME	CURRENT TERM	START DATE	ESTIMATED END DATE
Ocean Guardian	five wells plus option	early February 2002	early December 2002
Ocean Princess	anchor winch repairs	early October 2002	late October 2002
Ocean Whittington	-	late September 2002	-
Ocean Epoch	five wells plus demobe	early December 2001	mid November 2002
Ocean General	two well program plus options plus demobe	mid May 2002	early December 2002
Ocean Prospector	-	1998	-
Ocean Endeavor	-	early March 2002	-
Ocean Concord	-	early October 2002	late October 2002
Ocean Lexington	one well	mid September 2002	mid October 2002
Ocean Saratoga	one well plus option	early September 2002	mid October 2002
Ocean Yorktown	15-well development plus options	mid September 2001	late July 2003
Ocean Voyager	-	early March 2002	-
Ocean Yatzy	five-year term plus option	early November 1998	early November 2003
Ocean Worker	one well plus option	mid September 2002	early November 2002
Ocean Quest	-	late August 2002	mid October 2002
Ocean Winner	18-month extension	early July 2001	early November 2002
Ocean Alliance	four-year contract	early September 2000	early September 2004
Ocean Star	two wells	mid September 2002	mid November 2002
Ocean Victory	-	mid August 2002	mid October 2002
Ocean America	-	mid August 2002	mid October 2002
Ocean Valiant	seven month term plus option	early September 2002	mid April 2003

RIG NAME	CURRENT TERM	START DATE	ESTIMATED END DATE
Ocean Baroness	fifth well	early October 2002	late November 2002
Ocean Rover	-	early January 2002	third quarter 2003
Ocean Confidence	five-year term	early January 2001	early January 2006
Ocean Clipper	three-year term	mid January 2000	early January 2003

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RIG NAME	DAYRATE (IN THOUSANDS)	FUTURE CONTRACT AND OTHER INFORMATION
Ocean Crusader	high teens	two wells with Walter in the lower 20's ending early December 2002.
Ocean Drake	lower 20's	available.
Ocean Champion	-	-
Ocean Columbia	lower 20's	available.
Ocean Sovereign	upper 40's	Singapore shipyard for leg upgrade ending late April 2003.
Ocean Heritage	-	twelve-month term program with CNOOC in upper 40's ending mid October 2003. Heritage assumes last ten months after Sovereign has completed the first two months of contract.
Ocean Spartan	-	available.
Ocean Spur	-	available.
Ocean King	upper 20's	available.
Ocean Nugget	upper teens	available.
Ocean Summit	upper 20's	available.
Ocean Warwick	upper 20's	available.
Ocean Titan	lower 20's	available.
Ocean Tower	-	available.
Ocean Liberator	-	under tow to S. Africa for cold stacking.
Ocean Century	-	-
Ocean Ambassador	lower 40's	available.
Ocean Nomad	lower 40's	available.
Ocean New Era	-	available.
Ocean Bounty	lower 80's	one well plus option with Shell in upper 70's ending early December 2002.

RIG NAME	DAYRATE (IN THOUSANDS)	FUTURE CONTRACT AND OTHER INFORMATION
Ocean Guardian	lower 90's	special survey upon completion of contract ending late December 2002, then available.
Ocean Princess	-	available.
Ocean Whittington	-	available.
Ocean Epoch	lower 70's	available.
Ocean General	mid 60's	available.
Ocean Prospector	-	-
Ocean Endeavor	-	-
Ocean Concord	upper 30's	available.
Ocean Lexington	mid 30's	available.
Ocean Saratoga	mid 30's	available.
Ocean Yorktown	lower 60's	available.
Ocean Voyager	-	-
Ocean Yatzy	120's	available.
Ocean Worker	lower 40's	available.
Ocean Quest	-	one well plus option with Kerr McGee in lower 60's beginning early November 2002 and ending mid December 2002.
Ocean Winner	lower 80's	one year extension in lower 60's with Petrobras ending early November 2003.
Ocean Alliance	110's	available.
Ocean Star	upper 80's	nine month term work with Kerr McGee in mid 80's ending mid August 2003.
Ocean Victory	-	one well with Maxus in mid 60's ending mid November 2002.
Ocean America	-	one well plus option with Ocean Energy in upper 60's ending mid January 2003.
Ocean Valiant	lower 80's	available.

RIG NAME	DAYRATE (IN THOUSANDS)	FUTURE CONTRACT AND OTHER INFORMATION
Ocean Baroness	120's	demobe with Murphy in 170's ending early December 2002.
Ocean Rover	-	available.
Ocean Confidence	170's	available.
Ocean Clipper	lower 90's	shipyard for 30 days beginning mid October 2002; one year extension in 100's with Petrobras ending early January 2004.

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