UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-Q

(Mark One)

[X] QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 For the quarterly period ended September 30, 2003

[] TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 For the transition period from to to

Commission file number 1-13926

DIAMOND OFFSHORE DRILLING, INC. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

76-0321760 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

15415 Katy Freeway Houston, Texas 77094 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code) (281) 492-5300 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days.

Yes [X] No []

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an accelerated filer (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act).

Yes [X] No []

Indicate the number of shares outstanding of each of the issuer's classes of common stock, as of the latest practicable date.

> As of October 29, 2003 Common stock, \$0.01 par 130,336,455 shares value per share

DIAMOND OFFSHORE DRILLING, INC.

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ITEM 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.

DIAMOND OFFSHORE DRILLING, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (In thousands, except share data)

	SEI	PTEMBER 30,	DI	ECEMBER 31,	
		2003			
		UNAUDITED)			
ASSETS					
CURRENT ASSETS: Cash and cash equivalents Marketable securities Accounts receivable Rig inventory and supplies Prepaid expenses and other	\$	175,674 405,447 168,499 48,295 22,304	\$	184,910 627,614 146,957 45,405 28,870	
Total current assets		820,219		1,033,756	
DRILLING AND OTHER PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT, NET OF ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION	\$	2,270,377 14,503 32,194 3,137,293	\$	2,164,627 24,714 35,668 3,258,765	
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY					
CURRENT LIABILITIES: Current portion of long-term debt Accounts payable	\$	11,155 20,868 68,850 2,265	\$	11,155 39,721 63,113 4,413	
Total current liabilities		103,138		118,402	
LONG-TERM DEBT DEFERRED TAX LIABILITY OTHER LIABILITIES Total liabilities		936,075 351,501 41,024		924, 475 375, 309 33, 065	
		1,431,738		1,451,251	
COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES (NOTE 9)		-		-	
September 30, 2003 and December 31, 2002) Additional paid-in capital		1,335 1,263,692 522,750 (4,097) (78,125)		1,335 1,263,692 621,342 (730) (78,125)	
Total stockholders' equity		1,705,555		1,807,514	
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$	3,137,293	\$	3,258,765	
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THE ACCOMPANYING NOTES ARE AN INTEGRAL PART OF THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.

DIAMOND OFFSHORE DRILLING, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS (Unaudited) (In thousands, except per share data)

	THREE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30,					NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30,			
		2003		2002		2003		2002	
REVENUES:									
Contract drilling Revenues related to reimbursable expenses	\$	174,923 8,984	\$	174,146 6,037	\$	471,820 21,436	\$	547,488 22,032	
Total revenues		183,907		180,183		493, 256		569,520	
OPERATING EXPENSES:									
Contract drilling		126,934		112,963		365,210		354,163	
Reimbursable expenses		8,208		5,457		19,471		20,012	
Depreciation		43,256		45,187		132,086		132,469	
General and administrative		7,181		7,026		22,595		21,114	
Loss (gain) on sale and disposition of assets		1,509		23		1,451		(42)	
Total operating expenses		187,088		170,656		540,813		527,716	
OPERATING INCOME (LOSS)		(3,181)		9,527		(47,557)		41,804	
OTHER INCOME (EXPENSE):									
Interest income		2,742		6,660		10,235		23,892	
Interest expense		(6,432)		(5,998)		(17,385)		(17,758)	
Gain (loss) on sale of marketable securities		(6,179)		21,858		(7,310)		34,021	
Other, net'		(140)		(534)		2,891		627	
INCOME (LOSS) BEFORE INCOME TAX EXPENSE		(13,190)		31,513		(59,126)		82,586	
INCOME TAX BENEFIT (EXPENSE)		1,727		(9,809)		9,410		(26,362)	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	\$	(11,463)	\$	21,704	\$	(49,716)	\$	56,224	
,	====	=======	===	=======	===	=======	===	=======	
EARNINGS (LOSS) PER SHARE:									
BASIC	\$	(0.09)	\$ ===	0.17	\$ ===	(0.38)	\$ ===	0.43	
DILUTED	\$ ====	(0.09)	\$ ===	0.16	\$ ===	(0.38)	\$ ===	0.42	
WEIGHTED AVERAGE SHARES OF COMMON STOCK: Shares of common stock Dilutive potential shares of common stock		130,336		131,450 9,383		130,336 -		131,595 9,425	
Total weighted average shares outstanding assuming dilution		130,336		140,833	==-	130,336		141,020	

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DIAMOND OFFSHORE DRILLING, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (Unaudited) (In thousands)

NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30,

	SEPTEMBE			ER 30,		
		2003		2002		
OPERATING ACTIVITIES:						
Net income (loss)	\$	(49,716)	\$	56,224		
Depreciation		132,086		132,469		
(Gain) loss on sale and disposition of assets		1,451		(42)		
(Gain) loss on sale of marketable securities		7,310		(34,021)		
Deferred tax provision (benefit)		(11,785)		16,450		
Accretion of discounts on marketable securities		(2,000)		(3,602)		
Amortization of debt issuance costs		891		981		
Accretion of discount on zero coupon convertible debentures Changes in operating assets and liabilities:		11,600		11,204		
Accounts receivable		(21,542)		57,036		
Rig inventory and supplies and other current assets		4,426		15,041		
Other assets, non-current		2,583		438		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities		(13,116)		873		
Taxes payable		(2,148)		(429)		
Other liabilities, non-current		7,959		(3,873)		
Other items, net		(2,972)		(1,893)		
Other Items, het		(2,912)		(1,093)		
Net cash provided by operating activities		65,027		246,856		
INVESTING ACTIVITIES:						
Capital expenditures (excluding rig acquisitions)		(177,416)		(206,055)		
Rig acquisitions		(63,500)		(200,000)		
Proceeds from sale of assets		879		1,483		
Proceeds from sale and maturities of marketable securities		2,571,618		3,396,577		
Purchase of marketable securities						
		(2,359,460)		(3, 289, 671)		
Securities repurchased under repurchase agreements, net		2 402		(199,062)		
Proceeds from settlement of forward contracts		2,492		986		
Net cash used in investing activities		(25,387)		(295,742)		
FINANCING ACTIVITIES:						
Payment of dividends		(48,876)		(49,395)		
Acquisition of treasury stock		-		(30,567)		
Settlement of put options		-		(1,193)		
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Net cash used in financing activities		(48,876) 		(81,155)		
NET CHANGE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		(0.226)		(120 041)		
		(9,230)		(130,041)		
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period		(9,236) 184,910		398,990		
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	\$	175,674	\$	268,949		
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THE ACCOMPANYING NOTES ARE AN INTEGRAL PART OF THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.

DIAMOND OFFSHORE DRILLING, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

NOTES TO UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

The consolidated financial statements of Diamond Offshore Drilling, Inc. and subsidiaries (the "Company") should be read in conjunction with the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2002 (File No. 1-13926).

As of October 29, 2003, Loews Corporation ("Loews") owned 53.8% of the outstanding shares of common stock of Diamond Offshore Drilling, Inc., which was a wholly owned subsidiary of Loews prior to its initial public offering in October 1995

Interim Financial Information

The accompanying consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America for interim financial information and with the instructions to Form 10-Q and Article 10 of Regulation S-X. Accordingly, they do not include all disclosures required by generally accepted accounting principles for complete financial statements. The consolidated financial information has not been audited but, in the opinion of management, includes all adjustments (consisting only of normal recurring accruals) necessary for a fair presentation of the consolidated balance sheets, statements of operations, and statements of cash flows at the dates and for the periods indicated. Results of operations for interim periods are not necessarily indicative of results of operations for the respective full years.

Cash and Cash Equivalents and Marketable Securities

Short-term, highly liquid investments that have an original maturity of three months or less and deposits in money market mutual funds that are readily convertible into cash are considered cash equivalents.

The Company's investments are classified as available for sale and stated at fair value. Accordingly, any unrealized gains and losses, net of taxes, are reported in the Consolidated Balance Sheets in "Accumulated other comprehensive loss" until realized. The cost of debt securities is adjusted for amortization of premiums and accretion of discounts to maturity and such adjustments are included in the Consolidated Statements of Operations in "Interest income." The sale and purchase of securities are recorded on the date of the trade. The cost of debt securities sold is based on the specific identification method. Realized gains or losses and declines in value, if any, judged to be other than temporary are reported in the Consolidated Statements of Operations in "Other income (expense)."

Securities Sold Under Agreements to Repurchase

From time to time the Company may lend securities to unrelated parties, primarily major brokerage firms. Borrowers of these securities must transfer to the Company cash collateral equal to the securities transferred. Cash deposits from these transactions are invested in short-term investments and are included in the Consolidated Balance Sheets in "Cash and cash equivalents." A liability is recognized for the obligation to return the cash collateral. The Company continues to receive interest income on the loaned debt securities, as beneficial owner, and accordingly, the loaned debt securities are included in the Consolidated Balance Sheets in "Marketable securities." Interest expense associated with the related liability is recorded as an offset to "Interest income" in the Consolidated Statements of Operations. During the nine months ended September 30, 2002, loaned debt securities that were outstanding at December 31, 2001, were returned to the Company. The Company did not have any loaned debt securities outstanding at September 30, 2003 or December 31, 2002.

Derivative Financial Instruments

Derivative financial instruments of the Company include forward exchange contracts and a contingent interest provision that is embedded in the 1.5% convertible senior debentures due 2031 (the "1.5% Debentures") issued on April 11, 2001. See Note 4.

Supplementary Cash Flow Information

Cash payments made for interest on long-term debt totaled \$3.4 million for each of the nine-month periods ended September 30, 2003 and 2002.

Cash payments made for foreign income taxes, net of foreign tax refunds, were \$7.1 million and \$10.1 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2003 and 2002, respectively. There were no payments of U.S. income taxes during the nine months ended September 30, 2003. A \$14.5 million net cash refund of U.S. income tax was received during the nine months ended September 30, 2002.

Capitalized Interest

Interest cost for construction and upgrade of qualifying assets is capitalized. A reconciliation of the Company's total interest cost to "Interest expense" as reported in the Consolidated Statements of Operations is as follows:

	THREE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30,				NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30,			
		2003 200		2002		2003		2002
	(IN THOUSANDS)							
Total interest cost including amortization of debt issuance costs	\$	6,567 (135)	\$	6,650 (652)	\$	19,584 (2,199)	\$	19,836 (2,078)
Total interest expense as reported	\$ ===	6,432	\$	5,998	\$ =====	17,385	\$	17,758

Interest on the Ocean Rover was capitalized through July 10, 2003 when its upgrade was complete. Currently, there are no capital projects for which interest is being capitalized.

Debt Issuance Costs

Debt issuance costs are included in the Consolidated Balance Sheets in "Other assets" and are amortized over the respective terms of the related debt.

Treasury Stock and Common Equity Put Options

Depending on market conditions, the Company may, from time to time, purchase shares of its common stock or issue put options in the open market or otherwise. The purchase of treasury stock is accounted for using the cost method which reports the cost of the shares acquired in "Treasury stock" as a deduction from stockholders' equity in the Consolidated Balance Sheets.

The Company did not purchase any of its common stock during the nine months ended September 30, 2003. During the nine months ended September 30, 2002 the Company purchased 1,035,800 shares of its common stock at an aggregate cost of \$30.6 million, or at an average cost of \$29.51 per share. This includes the Company's purchase of 500,000 shares of its common stock at an aggregate cost of \$20.0 million, or at an average cost of \$40.00 per share, upon the exercise of put options sold in February 2001. The Company reduced "Additional paid-in capital" in the Consolidated Balance Sheet by \$3.1 million, the amount of the premium received for the sale of these put options, and reported the net cost of the shares, \$16.9 million, in "Treasury stock."

The Company settled put options which covered 1,000,000 shares of its common stock during the nine months ended September 30, 2002 with cash payments totaling \$1.2 million. The Company reduced "Additional paid-in capital" in the Consolidated Balance Sheet for amounts paid to settle these put options. The Company's remaining put options sold in 2001, which covered 187,321 shares of the Company's common stock, expired during the nine months ended September 30, 2002.

There were no common equity put options issued or outstanding at December 31, 2002, September 30, 2003 or during the nine months ended September 30, 2003.

A reconciliation of net income (loss) to comprehensive income (loss) is as follows:

	THREE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30,					NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30,			
		2003 2002			2003		2002		
				(IN THOU	ISAND	IDS)			
Net income (loss)	\$	(11,463)	\$	21,704	\$	(49,716)	\$	56,224	
Foreign currency translation loss		(164) (49)		(35) 1,633		(313) (4,263)		(559) 1,008	
Reclassification adjustment for realized gain (loss) on sale of available-for-sale securities included in net income (loss)		1,218		(3,120)		1,209		(1,775)	
Comprehensive income (loss)	\$	(10,458)	\$	20,182	\$	(53,083)	\$	54,898	

Currency Translation

The Company's primary functional currency is the U.S. dollar. Certain of the Company's subsidiaries use the local currency in the country where they conduct operations as their functional currency. These subsidiaries translate assets and liabilities at period-end exchange rates while income and expense accounts are translated at average exchange rates. Translation adjustments are reflected in the Consolidated Balance Sheets in "Accumulated other comprehensive loss." Currency transaction gains and losses are included in the Consolidated Statements of Operations in "Other income (expense)." Re-measurement translation gains and losses of subsidiaries operating in hyperinflationary economies, when applicable, are included in operating results.

Stock-Based Compensation

The Company accounts for its 2000 Stock Option Plan in accordance with Accounting Principles Board ("APB") Opinion No. 25, "Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees." Accordingly, no compensation expense has been recognized for the options granted to employees under the plan. Had compensation expense for the Company's stock options been recognized based on the fair value of the options at the grant dates, using the methodology prescribed by Statement of Financial Accounting Standards ("SFAS") No. 123, "Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation," the Company's net income (loss) and earnings (loss) per share would have been as follows:

		THREE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30,							
		2003 2002			2003		2002		
		(IN	THOUS	SANDS, EXCE	PT P	ER SHARE D	DATA)		
Net income (loss) as reported Deduct: Total stock-based employee compensation	\$	(11,463)	\$	21,704	\$	(49,716)	\$	56,224	
expense determined under fair value based method, net of related tax effects		(288)		(243)		(825)		(675)	
Pro forma net income (loss)	\$	(11,751)	\$	21,461	\$	(50,541)	\$	55,549	
Earnings (loss) per share of common stock: As reported	\$	(0.09)		0.17				0.43	
Pro forma	\$		\$	0.16	\$	(0.39)	\$	0.42	
Earnings (loss) per share of common stock - assuming dilution:									
As reported	\$	(0.09)	\$	0.16	\$	(0.38)	\$	0.42	
Pro forma	\$ ==	(0.09)	\$ =====	0.16	\$	(0.39)	\$ =====	0.42	

Revenue Recognition

Income from dayrate drilling contracts is recognized currently. In connection with such drilling contracts, the Company may receive lump-sum fees for the mobilization of equipment and personnel. Any excess in these lump-sum mobilization fees received over the related costs incurred to mobilize an offshore rig from one market to another is recognized in income over the primary term of the related drilling contract. Absent a contract, mobilization costs are recognized currently. Other lump-sum payments received from customers relating to specific contracts are deferred and amortized to income over the primary term of the related drilling contract.

Income from offshore turnkey drilling contracts is recognized on the completed contract method, with revenues accrued to the extent of costs until the specified turnkey depth and other contract requirements are met. Provisions for future losses on turnkey drilling contracts are recognized when it becomes apparent that expenses to be incurred on a specific contract will exceed the revenue from that contract. It is the Company's intent not to pursue contracts for integrated services, which includes turnkey contracts, except in very limited circumstances.

Income from reimbursements received for the purchase of supplies, equipment, personnel services and other services provided at the request of the Company's customers in accordance with a contract or agreement is recorded, for the gross amount billed to the customer, as "Revenues related to reimbursable expenses" in the Consolidated Statements of Operations.

Use of Estimates in the Preparation of Financial Statements

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amount of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimated.

Changes in Accounting Estimates

In April 2003 the Company commissioned a study from an independent appraiser to evaluate the economic lives of its drilling rigs. As a result of this independent study, effective April 1, 2003, the Company recorded changes in accounting estimates by increasing the estimated service lives and salvage values of most of the Company's drilling rigs to better reflect their remaining economic lives and salvage values. The effect of this change in accounting estimates resulted in an increase to net income (after-tax) for the quarter and nine months ended September 30, 2003 of \$6.9 million, or \$0.05 per share and \$12.7 million, or \$0.10 per share, respectively.

Reclassifications

Certain amounts applicable to prior periods have been reclassified to conform to the classifications currently followed. Such reclassifications do not affect earnings.

Recent Accounting Pronouncements

In May 2003 the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued SFAS No. 150, "Accounting for Certain Financial Instruments with Characteristics of both Liabilities and Equity." This statement requires that an issuer classify a financial instrument that is within its scope as a liability (or an asset in some circumstances). SFAS No. 150 is effective for financial instruments entered into or modified after May 31, 2003, and otherwise is effective at the beginning of the first interim period beginning after June 15, 2003. It is to be implemented by reporting the cumulative effect of a change in an accounting principle for financial instruments created before the issuance date of SFAS No. 150 and still existing at the beginning of the interim period of adoption. Restatement is not permitted. The Company's adoption of SFAS No. 150 has not had a material impact on the Company's consolidated results of operations, financial position or cash flows.

In April 2003 the FASB issued SFAS No. 149, "Amendment of Statement 133 on Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities." This statement amends and clarifies financial accounting and reporting for derivative instruments embedded in other contracts (collectively referred to as derivatives) and for hedging activities under SFAS No. 133. SFAS No. 149 is to be applied prospectively for contracts entered into or modified after June 30,

2003. For contracts involving hedging relationships, SFAS No. 149 should be applied to both existing contracts and new contracts entered into after June 30, 2003. The Company's adoption of SFAS No. 149 has not had a material impact on the Company's consolidated results of operations, financial position or cash flows.

In January 2003 the FASB issued Interpretation No. 46, "Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities, an interpretation of Accounting Research Bulletin No. 51" ("FIN 46"). This interpretation provides guidance on the identification of, and financial reporting for, entities over which control is achieved through means other than voting rights, or variable-interest entities ("VIEs"). FIN 46 is effective as of the beginning of the first interim or annual period ending after December 15, 2003 for existing interests and effective immediately for new interests. The Company believes that, currently, it does not have any VIEs within the scope of FIN 46.

In December 2002 the FASB issued SFAS No. 148, "Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation-Transition and Disclosure." SFAS No. 148 amends SFAS No. 123, "Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation," to provide alternative methods of transition for a voluntary change to the fair value based method of accounting for stock-based employee compensation. In addition, SFAS No. 148 amends the disclosure requirements of SFAS No. 123 to require prominent disclosures in both annual and interim financial statements regarding the method of accounting for stock-based employee compensation and the effect of the method used on reported results. SFAS No. 148 is effective for financial statements for fiscal years ending after December 15, 2002. The Company accounts for stock-based employee compensation in accordance with APB Opinion No. 25, "Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees." The Company has adopted the provisions of SFAS No. 148 which require prominent disclosure regarding the method of accounting for stock-based employee compensation in its annual and interim financial statements. See "-Stock-Based Compensation."

In July 2002 the FASB issued SFAS No. 146, "Accounting for Costs Associated with Exit or Disposal Activities." SFAS No. 146 requires companies to recognize costs associated with exit or disposal activities when they are incurred rather than at the date of a commitment to an exit or disposal plan. SFAS No. 146 is to be applied prospectively to exit or disposal activities initiated after December 31, 2002. The Company's adoption of SFAS No. 146 has not had a material impact on the Company's consolidated results of operations, financial position or cash flows.

2. EARNINGS (LOSS) PER SHARE

A reconciliation of the numerators and the denominators of the basic and diluted per-share computations follows:

		THREE MONT SEPTEMB			NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30,			
		2003		2002		2003		2002
		(IN	THOU	SANDS, EXC	EPT P	PER SHARE D	ATA)	
Net income (loss) - basic (numerator): Effect of dilutive potential shares	\$	(11,463)	\$	21,704	\$	(49,716)	\$	56,224
1.5% Debentures				1,053				3,137
Net income (loss) including conversions - diluted (numerator)	\$	(11,463)	\$	22,757	\$	(49,716)	\$	59,361
	==	========	====	=======	=====	=======	=====	======
Weighted average shares - basic (denominator): Effect of dilutive potential shares		130,336		131,450		130,336		131,595
1.5% Debentures				9,383				9,383
Stock options Put options								4 38
Weighted average shares including conversions - diluted (denominator)		130,336		140,833		130,336		141,020
Earnings (loss) per share:	==	=======	====	=======	=====	=======	=====	======
Basic	\$	(0.09)	\$	0.17	\$	(0.38)	\$	0.43
Diluted	\$ ==	(0.09)	\$ =====	0.16	\$	(0.38)	\$ =====	0.42

The computation of diluted earnings per share ("EPS") for both the quarter and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2003 and 2002 excludes approximately 6.9 million potentially dilutive shares issuable upon conversion of the Company's zero coupon convertible debentures due 2020 ("Zero Coupon Debentures") because the inclusion of such shares would be antidilutive. The computation of diluted EPS for the quarter and nine months ended September 30, 2003 excludes approximately 9.4 million potentially dilutive shares issuable upon conversion of the Company's 1.5% Debentures because the inclusion of such shares would be antidilutive.

Put options covering 1,687,321 shares of common stock at various stated exercise prices per share were outstanding during part of the nine months ended September 30, 2002 prior to their expiration or settlement. The computation of diluted EPS for the quarter and nine months ended September 30, 2002 excluded put options covering 1,687,321 shares and 187,321 shares of common stock, respectively, because the options' exercise prices were less than the average market price per share of the common stock. There were no put options outstanding during the quarter or nine months ended September 30, 2003.

Certain stock options were excluded from the computation of diluted EPS because the options' exercise prices were more than the average market price per share of the common stock. Stock options representing 506,150 shares and 423,400 shares of common stock were excluded from the computation of diluted EPS for the quarter and nine months ended September 30, 2003, respectively. Stock options representing 338,150 shares and 224,575 shares of common stock were excluded from the computation of diluted EPS for the quarter and nine months ended September 30, 2002, respectively.

Other stock options with average market prices that exceeded their exercise prices during the period (in-the-money options) were excluded from the computation of diluted EPS because potential shares of common stock are not included when a loss from continuing operations exists. Stock options representing 2,500 shares and 85,250 shares of common stock were excluded from the computation of diluted EPS for the quarter and nine months ended September 30, 2003, respectively.

3. MARKETABLE SECURITIES

Investments classified as available for sale are summarized as follows:

	S	EPTEMBI	ER 30, 200	3	
	 COST	EALIZED N (LOSS)			
	 		HOUSANDS)		
Debt securities issued by the U.S. Treasury and other U.S. government agencies:					
Due within one year	\$ 399,708 6,272	\$	21 (554)	\$	399,729 5,718
Total	\$ 405,980	\$	(533)	\$	405,447
	D	ECEMBE	R 31, 2002		
	 COST		EALIZED GAIN		
	 		 HOUSANDS)		
		(IN 11			
Debt securities issued by the U.S. Treasury and other U.S. government agencies:		·			
	\$ 449,445 174,003	\$	20 4,146	\$	449,465 178,149
and other U.S. government agencies: Due within one year	 449,445 174,003 623,448	\$	4,146 		

All of the Company's investments are included as current assets in the Consolidated Balance Sheets in "Marketable securities," representing the investment of cash available for current operations.

Proceeds from sales and maturities of marketable securities and gross realized gains and losses are summarized as follows:

	THREE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30,				NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30,		
	 2003		2002		2003	2002	
	 (IN THOUSANDS)						
Proceeds from sales	\$ 518,612 450,000	\$	927,899 250,000		746,618 ,825,000	\$2,896,577 500,000	
Gross realized gains	2,259 (8,438)		21,953 (95)	1	2,367 (9,677)	36,888 (2,867)	

4. DERTVATTVE ETNANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

Forward Exchange Contracts

The Company operates internationally, resulting in exposure to foreign exchange risk. This risk is primarily associated with costs payable in foreign currencies for employee compensation and for purchases from foreign suppliers. The Company's primary technique for minimizing its foreign exchange risk involves structuring customer contracts to provide for payment in both the U. S. dollar and the foreign currency whenever possible. The payment portion denominated in the foreign currency is based on anticipated foreign currency requirements over the contract term. In some instances, when customer contracts cannot be structured to generate a sufficient amount of foreign currency for operating purposes, a foreign exchange forward contract may be used to minimize the forward exchange risk. A forward exchange contract obligates the Company to exchange predetermined amounts of specified foreign currencies at specified foreign exchange rates on specified dates.

In June 2002 the Company entered into forward contracts to purchase approximately 50.0 million Australian dollars, 4.2 million Australian dollars to be purchased monthly from August 29, 2002 through June 26, 2003 and 3.8 million to be purchased on July 31, 2003. In July 2001 the Company entered into twelve forward contracts to purchase 3.5 million Australian dollars each month through July 31, 2002. These forward contracts were derivatives as defined by SFAS No. 133. SFAS No. 133 requires that each derivative be stated in the balance sheet at its fair value with gains and losses reflected in the income statement except that, to the extent the derivative qualifies for hedge accounting, the gains and losses are reflected in income in the same period as offsetting losses and gains on the qualifying hedged positions. SFAS No. 133 further provides specific criteria necessary for a derivative to qualify for hedge accounting. The forward contracts purchased by the Company in 2002 and 2001 did not qualify for hedge accounting. A pre-tax gain of \$0.5 million and \$2.5 million was recorded in the Consolidated Statements of Operations for the quarter and nine months ended September 30, 2003, respectively, in "Other income (expense)." For the quarter and nine months ended September 30, 2002 a pre-tax loss of \$0.8 million and a pre-tax gain of \$0.2 million, respectively, was recorded in the Consolidated Statements of Operations in "Other income (expense)." As of September 30, 2003 the Company had satisfied all obligations under these contracts and no new forward exchange contracts had been entered into at that time.

Contingent Interest

The Company's \$460.0 million principal amount of 1.5% Debentures, which were issued on April 11, 2001 and are due on April 15, 2031, contain a contingent interest provision. The contingent interest component is an embedded derivative as defined by SFAS No. 133 and accordingly must be split from the host instrument and recorded at fair value on the balance sheet. The contingent interest component had no value at issuance, at December 31, 2002 or at September 30, 2003.

5. DRILLING AND OTHER PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT

Cost and accumulated depreciation of drilling and other property and equipment are summarized as follows:

	SE	PTEMBER 30,	DE	CEMBER 31,	
		2003		2002	
	(IN THOUSANDS)				
Drilling rigs and equipment Construction work-in-progress Land and buildings Office equipment and other	\$	3,429,858 14,008 15,036 21,901	\$	3,091,892 141,247 15,035 21,076	
Cost Less: accumulated depreciation		3,480,803 (1,210,426)		3,269,250 (1,104,623)	
Drilling and other property and equipment, net	\$ ==	2,270,377	\$	2,164,627	

Effective September 30, 2003 the Company retired two of its second generation semisubmersible drilling rigs, the Ocean Century and Ocean Prospector. These rigs, which have been cold stacked in the Gulf of Mexico since July 1998 and October 1998, respectively, are being offered for sale and as a result of this decision, were written-down \$1.6 million to their fair market values of \$375,000 each. These rigs have been reclassified from "Drilling and other property and equipment" to current assets held-for-sale in "Prepaid expenses and other" on the Consolidated Balance Sheet as of September 30, 2003.

In April 2003 the Company commissioned a study from an independent appraiser to evaluate the economic lives of its drilling rigs. As a result of this independent study, effective April 1, 2003, the Company recorded changes in accounting estimates by increasing the estimated service lives and salvage values of most of the Company's drilling rigs to better reflect their remaining economic lives and salvage values. The effect of this change in accounting estimates resulted in an increase to net income (after-tax) for the third quarter and nine months ended September 30, 2003 of \$6.9 million, or \$0.05 per share, and \$12.7 million, or \$0.10 per share, respectively.

Construction work-in-progress at September 30, 2003 consisted of \$14.0 million for the cantilever conversion of the Ocean Titan. During the third quarter of 2003, approximately \$175.7 million was reclassified from construction work-in-progress to drilling rigs and equipment for the upgrade of the Ocean Rover to high specification capabilities. The upgrade was completed on time and under budget in July 2003 for an estimated total cost of \$189 million. The rig is currently operating under a three well drilling program for Murphy Sabah Oil Co., Ltd. offshore Malaysia.

In March 2003, Diamond Offshore Drilling Limited, a subsidiary of the Company, completed the acquisition of the third-generation semisubmersible drilling rig, Omega, renamed Ocean Patriot, for \$65.0 million. The Company capitalized \$63.5 million to drilling rigs and equipment and recorded \$1.5 million to rig inventory.

In December 2002, the acquisition of the third-generation semisubmersible drilling rig, West Vanguard, renamed Ocean Vanguard, was completed for \$68.5 million. The Company capitalized \$67.0 million to drilling rigs and equipment and recorded \$1.5 million to rig inventory.

6. GOODWILL

Goodwill from the merger with Arethusa (Off-Shore) Limited ("Arethusa") in 1996 was generated from an excess of the purchase price over the net assets acquired. Prior to January 1, 2002 the Company amortized goodwill on a straight-line basis over 20 years. The Company adopted SFAS No. 142 on January 1, 2002 and, accordingly, suspended amortization of goodwill at that time.

For purposes of applying SFAS No. 142, the Company determined that it has one reporting unit to which to assign goodwill. The Company performed the annual goodwill impairment test on December 31, 2002 and determined that the fair value of the reporting unit exceeded its carrying value, and accordingly, no further steps were required for testing goodwill impairment at that time. Annual goodwill impairment testing will be performed at each year-end.

There were no recognized intangible assets other than goodwill associated with the Arethusa merger.

During each of the nine-month periods ended September 30, 2003 and 2002, an adjustment of \$10.2 million was recorded to reduce goodwill. The adjustments represent the tax benefits not previously recognized for the excess of tax deductible goodwill over book goodwill. The Company will continue to reduce goodwill in future periods as the tax benefits of excess tax goodwill over book goodwill are recognized. Goodwill is expected to be reduced to zero during the year 2004.

7. ACCRUED LIABILITIES

Accrued liabilities consist of the following:

		EMBER 30,		,
		2003	2002	
Payroll and benefits Personal injury and other claims Interest payable Deferred revenue Other	\$	32,440 6,815 5,235 3,405 20,955	\$	29,337 6,815 1,588 3,539 21,834
Total	\$ ====	68,850	\$ ======	63,113

8. LONG-TERM DEBT

Long-term debt consists of the following:

	SEP	TEMBER 30,	DEC	EMBER 31,				
		2003	2002					
	(IN THOUSANDS)							
Zero Coupon Debentures	\$	451,288 460,000 35,942	\$	439,688 460,000 35,942				
Less: Current maturities		947,230 (11,155)		935,630 (11,155)				
Total	\$	936,075	\$	924,475				

The aggregate maturities of long-term debt for each of the five years subsequent to December 31, 2002, are as follows (see discussions following table for description of the rights that holders of the debentures have to put the securities to the Company):

(IN THOUSANDS)

2003	
2004	11,969
2005	12,818
2006	
2007	
Thereafter	911,288
Less: Current maturities	947,230 (11,155)
Total	

1.5% Debentures

The Company's \$460.0 million principal amount of 1.5% Debentures that it issued on April 11, 2001 are due April 15, 2031. The 1.5% Debentures are convertible into shares of the Company's common stock at an initial conversion rate of 20.3978 shares per \$1,000 principal amount of the 1.5% Debentures, subject to adjustment in

certain circumstances. Upon conversion, the Company has the right to deliver cash in lieu of shares of the Company's common stock.

Interest of 1.5% per year on the outstanding principal amount is payable semiannually in arrears on each April 15 and October 15. The 1.5% Debentures are unsecured obligations of the Company and rank equally with all of the Company's other unsecured senior indebtedness.

Holders may require the Company to purchase all or a portion of their 1.5% Debentures on April 15, 2008, at a price equal to 100% of the principal amount of the 1.5% Debentures to be purchased plus accrued and unpaid interest. The Company may choose to pay the purchase price in cash or shares of the Company's common stock or a combination of cash and common stock. In addition, holders may require the Company to purchase, for cash, all or a portion of their 1.5% Debentures upon a change in control (as defined).

The Company may redeem all or a portion of the 1.5% Debentures at any time on or after April 15, 2008, at a price equal to 100% of the principal amount plus accrued and unpaid interest.

Zero Coupon Debentures

The Company's Zero Coupon Debentures issued on June 6, 2000 at a price of \$499.60 per \$1,000 debenture, which represents a yield to maturity of 3.50% per year, are due June 6, 2020. The Company will not pay interest prior to maturity unless it elects to convert the Zero Coupon Debentures to interest-bearing debentures upon the occurrence of certain tax events. The Zero Coupon Debentures are convertible at the option of the holder at any time prior to maturity, unless previously redeemed, into the Company's common stock at a fixed conversion rate of 8.6075 shares of common stock per \$1,000 principal amount of the Zero Coupon Debentures, subject to adjustment in certain circumstances. The Zero Coupon Debentures are senior unsecured obligations of the Company.

The Company has the right to redeem the Zero Coupon Debentures, in whole or in part, after June 6, 2005, for a price equal to the issuance price plus accrued original issue discount through the date of redemption. Holders have the right to require the Company to repurchase the Zero Coupon Debentures on the fifth, tenth and fifteenth anniversaries of issuance at the accreted value through the date of repurchase. The Company may pay such repurchase price with either cash or shares of the Company's common stock or a combination of cash and shares of common stock.

Ocean Alliance Lease-leaseback Agreement

The Company entered into a lease-leaseback agreement with a European bank in December 2000. The lease-leaseback agreement provides for the Company to lease the Ocean Alliance, one of the Company's high specification semisubmersible drilling rigs, to the bank for a lump-sum payment of \$55.0 million plus an origination fee of \$1.1 million and for the bank to then sub-lease the rig back to the Company. Under the agreement, which has a five-year term, the Company is to make five annual payments of \$13.7 million. The Company has made two of the five annual payments as of September 30, 2003. This financing arrangement has an effective interest rate of 7.13% and is an unsecured subordinated obligation of the Company.

9. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

Various claims have been filed against the Company in the ordinary course of business, including claims by offshore workers alleging personal injuries. Management believes that the Company has established adequate reserves for any liabilities that may reasonably be expected to result from these claims. In the opinion of management, no pending or threatened claims, actions or proceedings against the Company are expected to have a material adverse effect on the Company's consolidated financial position, results of operations, or cash flows.

10. SEGMENTS AND GEOGRAPHIC AREA ANALYSIS

The Company reports its operations as one reportable segment, contract drilling of offshore oil and gas wells. Although the Company provides contract drilling services from different types of offshore drilling rigs and provides such services in many geographic locations, these operations have been aggregated into one reportable segment based on the similarity of economic characteristics among all divisions and locations, including the nature of services provided and the type of customers of such services.

Similar Services

Revenues from external customers for contract drilling and similar services by equipment-type are listed below (eliminations offset dayrate revenues earned when the Company's rigs are utilized in its integrated services):

	THREE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30,			NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30,				
		2003 2002		2003 2002 2003		2003	2002	
				(IN THO	USAND	S)		
High Specification Floaters Other Semisubmersibles Jack-ups Integrated Services Other Eliminations	\$	79,688 72,588 23,006 (359)	\$	72,376 80,745 18,703 3,017 (695)	\$	215,982 185,556 69,688 1,189 (362) (233)	\$	222,771 242,802 75,042 9,246 (436) (1,937)
Total Contract Drilling Revenues		174,923 8,984		174,146 6,037		471,820 21,436		547,488
Total revenues	\$ ==	183,907	\$ =====	180,183	\$ =====	493,256	\$ =====	569,520

Geographic Areas

At September 30, 2003, the Company had drilling rigs located offshore nine countries other than the United States. As a result, the Company is exposed to the risk of changes in social, political, economic and other conditions inherent in foreign operations and the Company's results of operations and the value of its foreign assets are affected by fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates. Revenues by geographic area are presented by attributing revenues to the individual country or areas where the services were performed.

	THREE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30,				NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30,					
	2003 2002		2003 2002		2003 2002 200		2003 2		2002	
			(IN THO	USAND	S)					
Revenues from unaffiliated customers:										
United States	\$	84,441	\$	74,576	\$	248,115	\$	246,100		
Foreign:										
South America		37,909		43,916		119,188		130,834		
Europe/Africa		13,377		22,486		34,248		80,424		
Australia/Southeast Asia		32,901		39,205		75,524		112,162		
Mexico		15,279				16,181				
Total revenues	\$	183,907	\$	180,183	\$	493,256	\$	569,520		
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11. INCOME TAXES

In 2002 the Company formed a Cayman Islands corporation, Diamond Offshore International Limited, which is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Diamond Offshore Drilling, Inc. Certain of the Company's rigs that operate internationally are now owned and operated, directly or indirectly, by the Cayman Islands subsidiary. Effective January 1, 2003 the Company began to postpone remittance of the earnings from this subsidiary to the U.S. and indefinitely reinvest these earnings internationally. Consequently, no U.S. taxes were provided on these earnings and no U.S. tax benefits were recognized on losses during the first nine months of 2003. The 13.1% effective tax rate for the three months ended September 30, 2003 resulted from a revision of the estimated annual effective tax rate from 16.7% in the second quarter of 2003 to 15.9% in the third quarter of 2003.

In 2002 a portion of the earnings from the Company's U.K. subsidiaries was considered to be indefinitely reinvested. No U.S. taxes were provided on these earnings in the three-month or nine-month periods ended September 30, 2002 and the estimated annual effective tax rate as of September 30, 2002 was 31.9%. The effective rate of 31.1%

for the three months ended September 30, 2002 resulted from a revision of the estimated annual effective tax rate from 32.4% in the second quarter of 2002 to 31.9% in the third quarter of 2002. These U.K. subsidiaries are now owned, directly or indirectly, by Diamond Offshore International Limited. Consequently, earnings and losses from the U.K. subsidiaries for the quarter and nine-month period ended September 30, 2003 are part of the earnings and losses of the Cayman Islands subsidiary on which no U.S. taxes are provided.

ITEM 2. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS.

The following discussion should be read in conjunction with the Company's Consolidated Financial Statements (including the Notes thereto) included elsewhere herein. References to the "Company" mean Diamond Offshore Drilling, Inc., a Delaware corporation, and its subsidiaries.

The Company is a leader in deep water drilling. Effective September 30, 2003, the Company retired two of its second generation semisubmersible drilling rigs, the Ocean Century and the Ocean Prospector. These rigs, which have been cold stacked in the Gulf of Mexico since July 1998 and October 1998, respectively, are being offered for sale, have been written down to their fair market values and will not be returned to service as offshore drilling units. As a result of the retirement of these two drilling units and the March 2003 acquisition of the third-generation semisubmersible drilling rig, Omega, renamed Ocean Patriot, the Company now has a fleet of 45 offshore drilling rigs. The fleet consists of 30 semisubmersibles, 14 jack-ups and one drillship.

GENERAL

Revenues. The Company's revenues vary based upon demand, which affects the number of days the fleet is utilized and the dayrates earned. When a rig is idle, no dayrate is earned and revenues will decrease as a result. Revenues can also increase or decrease as a result of the acquisition or disposal of rigs. In order to improve utilization or realize higher dayrates, the Company may mobilize its rigs from one market to another. However, during periods of mobilization, revenues may be adversely affected. As a response to changes in demand, the Company may withdraw a rig from the market by stacking it or may reactivate a rig stacked previously, which may decrease or increase revenues, respectively.

Revenues from dayrate drilling contracts are recognized currently. The Company may receive lump-sum payments in connection with specific contracts. Such payments are recognized as revenues over the term of the related drilling contract. Mobilization revenues, less costs incurred to mobilize an offshore rig from one market to another, are recognized over the primary term of the related drilling contract.

Revenues from offshore turnkey drilling contracts are accrued to the extent of costs until the specified turnkey depth and other contract requirements are met. Income is recognized on the completed contract method. Provisions for future losses on turnkey contracts are recognized when it becomes apparent that expenses to be incurred on a specific contract will exceed the revenue from that contract. It is the Company's intent not to pursue contracts for integrated services, which includes turnkey contracts, except in very limited circumstances.

Revenues from reimbursements received for the purchase of supplies, equipment, personnel services and other services provided at the request of the Company's customers in accordance with a contract or agreement are recorded for the gross amount billed to the customer, as "Revenues related to reimbursable expenses" in the Consolidated Statements of Operations.

Operating Income. Operating income is primarily affected by revenue factors, but is also a function of varying levels of operating expenses. Operating expenses generally are not affected by changes in dayrates and may not be significantly affected by fluctuations in utilization. For instance, if a rig is to be idle for a short period of time, the Company may realize few decreases in operating expenses since the rig is typically maintained in a prepared state with a full crew. In addition, when a rig is idle, the Company is responsible for certain operating expenses such as rig fuel and supply boat costs, which are typically a cost of the operator under a drilling contract. However, if the rig is to be idle for an extended period of time, the Company may reduce the size of a rig's crew and take steps to "cold stack" the rig, which lowers expenses and partially offsets the impact on operating income. The Company recognizes as operating expenses activities such as inspections, painting projects and routine overhauls, meeting certain criteria, which maintain rather than upgrade its rigs. These expenses vary from period to period. Costs of rig enhancements are capitalized and depreciated over the expected useful lives of the enhancements. Higher depreciation expense decreases operating income in periods subsequent to capital upgrades.

CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES

The Company's significant accounting policies are included in Note 1 of its Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements in Part I, Item 1 of this report. Management's judgments, assumptions and estimates are inherent in the preparation of the Company's financial statements and the application of its significant accounting policies. The Company believes that its most critical accounting estimates are as follows:

Property, Plant and Equipment. Drilling and other property and equipment is carried at cost. Maintenance and routine repairs are charged to income currently while replacements and betterments, which meet certain criteria, are capitalized. Depreciation is amortized up to applicable salvage values by applying the straight-line method over the remaining estimated useful lives.

In April 2003 the Company commissioned a study from an independent appraiser to evaluate the economic lives of its drilling rigs. As a result of this independent study, effective April 1, 2003, the Company recorded changes in accounting estimates by increasing the estimated service lives and salvage values for most of the Company's drilling rigs to better reflect their remaining economic lives and salvage values. The effect of this change in accounting estimate resulted in an increase to net income (after-tax) for the quarter and nine months ended September 30, 2003 of \$6.9 million, or \$0.05 per share, and \$12.7 million, or \$0.10 per share, respectively. Management makes judgments, assumptions and estimates regarding capitalization, useful lives and salvage values. Changes in these assumptions could produce results that differ from those reported.

The Company evaluates its property and equipment for impairment whenever changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of an asset may not be recoverable. Effective September 30, 2003, the Company wrote down two of its second generation semisubmersible drilling rigs, the Ocean Century and the Ocean Prospector, by \$1.6 million to their fair market values of \$375,000 each, subsequent to a decision to offer the rigs for sale. Management's assumptions are an inherent part of an asset impairment evaluation and the use of different assumptions could produce results that differ from those reported.

Personal Injury Claims. The Company's retention of liability for personal injury claims, which primarily results from Jones Act liability in the Gulf of Mexico, is \$0.5 million per claim with an aggregate annual deductible of \$1.5 million. The Company estimates its liability for personal injury claims based on the existing facts and circumstances in conjunction with historical experience regarding past personal injury claims. Eventual settlement or adjudication of these claims could differ significantly from the estimated amounts.

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

THREE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2003 AND 2002

Comparative data relating to the Company's revenues and operating expenses by equipment type are listed below (eliminations offset (i) dayrate revenues earned when the Company's rigs are utilized in its integrated services and (ii) intercompany expenses charged to rig operations). Certain amounts applicable to the prior periods have been reclassified to conform to the classifications currently followed. Such reclassifications do not affect earnings.

	THREE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30,					FAVODADI F /		
		2003				2002		AVORABLE/ FAVORABLE)
				thousands)				
CONTRACT DRILLING REVENUE High Specification Floaters Other Semisubmersibles Jack-ups Integrated Services Other Eliminations	\$	79,688 72,588 23,006 (359)	\$	72,376 80,745 18,703 3,017 (695)	\$	7,312 (8,157) 4,303 (3,017) (359) 695		
TOTAL CONTRACT DRILLING REVENUE	\$ ==	174,923 =======		174,146 =======	\$ =====	777		
REVENUES RELATED TO REIMBURSABLE EXPENSES	\$	8,984	\$	6,037	\$	2,947		
CONTRACT DRILLING EXPENSE High Specification Floaters Other Semisubmersibles Jack-ups Integrated Services Other Eliminations	\$	39,974 62,494 23,677 (6) 795	\$	38,301 51,363 20,714 3,038 242 (695)	\$	(1,673) (11,131) (2,963) 3,044 (553) (695)		
TOTAL CONTRACT DRILLING EXPENSE	\$ ==	126,934		112,963	\$ =====	(13,971)		
REIMBURSABLE EXPENSES	\$	8,208	\$	5,457	\$	(2,751)		
OPERATING INCOME (LOSS) High Specification Floaters Other Semisubmersibles Jack-ups Integrated Services Other Reimbursable expenses, net Depreciation General and administrative expense Loss on sale and disposition of assets	\$	39,714 10,094 (671) 6 (1,154) 776 (43,256) (7,181) (1,509)	\$	34,075 29,382 (2,011) (21) (242) 580 (45,187) (7,026) (23)	\$	5,639 (19,288) 1,340 27 (912) 196 1,931 (155) (1,486)		
TOTAL OPERATING INCOME (LOSS)	\$	(3,181)	\$ =====	9,527	\$	(12,708)		

High Specification Floaters.

Revenues. Revenues from high specification floaters increased \$7.3 million during the quarter ended September 30, 2003 compared to the same quarter in 2002.

The Ocean Rover contributed \$8.7 million to the overall increase in revenues due to the completion of its upgrade to high specification capabilities in July 2003.

Utilization for the third quarter of 2003 (excluding the Ocean Rover) improved to 89% from 80% in the third quarter of 2002 resulting in an additional \$4.9 million in revenue. Significant improvements in utilization were from:

- the Ocean America, which worked all of the third quarter of 2003 but was stacked one-half of the third quarter of 2002;
- the Ocean Star, which worked all of the third quarter of 2003 but was stacked one month of the third quarter of 2002.

The average operating dayrate for the third quarter of 2003 (excluding the Ocean Rover) decreased from \$108,700 to \$96,300, resulting in a \$6.3 million decline which partially offset the overall revenue increase. Significant declines to average operating dayrates were:

- the Ocean Baroness (\$144,600 to \$115,300);
- the Ocean Valiant (\$79,500 to \$54,900); and
- the Ocean Victory (\$94,900 to \$66,000).

Contract Drilling Expense. Contract drilling expense for high specification floaters was higher by \$1.7 million for the quarter ended September 30, 2003 compared to the same period in 2002. Increased contract drilling expenses were primarily attributable to:

- operating costs for the Ocean Rover, which began working upon completion of its upgrade to high specification capabilities in early July 2003 compared to the third quarter of 2002 when most of the rig's costs were capitalized in connection with its upgrade; and
- mobilization and demobilization costs for the Ocean Victory to and from its operating location during the third quarter of 2003.

Partially offsetting the overall higher contract drilling expenses in the third quarter of 2003 were lower expenses resulting from:

- the Company's efforts to reduce operating costs, which resulted in lower overall contract drilling expense (with the most significant savings in labor costs); and
- normal operating costs for the Ocean Victory and the Ocean Quest in the third quarter of 2003 compared to the third quarter of 2002, which included \$1.1 million for inspection and repairs.

Other Semisubmersibles.

Revenues. Revenues from other semisubmersibles for the quarter ended September 30, 2003 decreased \$8.2 million from the same period in 2002.

Average operating dayrates (excluding the Ocean Vanguard and the Ocean Patriot) fell to \$59,200 from \$69,100 in the quarter ended September 30, 2003 compared to the same quarter in 2002 and resulted in a reduction in revenue of approximately \$11.4 million. Most of the rigs in this classification that operate internationally experienced lower average operating dayrates during the third quarter of 2003 while all of the domestic rigs experienced higher average operating dayrates, compared to the same period in 2002.

Higher utilization during the third quarter of 2003 resulted in a revenue improvement of \$1.6 million as utilization (excluding the Ocean Vanguard and Ocean Patriot) increased to 62% from 61% compared to the third quarter of 2002. Improvements in utilization were experienced by:

- the Ocean Whittington, which mobilized to the Mexican sector of the Gulf of Mexico from offshore Africa and began working under a long term contract during the third quarter of 2003 but operated offshore Ghana for only part of the third quarter of 2002;
- the Ocean Ambassador, which mobilized to the Mexican sector of the Gulf of Mexico and began operating under a long term contract in the third quarter of 2003 after being stacked in a Galveston shipyard. During the third quarter of 2002 the rig operated for approximately 43 days in the U. S. Gulf of Mexico, about 32 days less than it operated in the third quarter of 2003;

- the Ocean Worker, which mobilized to the Mexican sector of the Gulf of Mexico and began working offshore Mexico under a long term contract in the third quarter of 2003 immediately upon completion of its contract in the U.S. Gulf of Mexico. During the third quarter of 2002 the rig operated for approximately 63 days, about 29 days less than it operated in the third quarter of 2003; and
- the Ocean Nomad, which operated 81 days in the third quarter of 2003 compared to 42 days in the third quarter of 2002.

Partially offsetting the increase in utilization during the third quarter of 2003 was lower utilization for:

- the Ocean Epoch, which was stacked for approximately two months in 2003; and
- the Ocean Yorktown, which mobilized to a Gulf of Mexico shipyard in 2003 to prepare for an upcoming contract in Mexico, but operated offshore Brazil during all of the third quarter of 2002.

The Ocean Patriot, which the Company acquired in March 2003, contributed \$1.7 million to revenues during the third quarter of 2003.

Contract Drilling Expense. Contract drilling expense for other semisubmersibles increased \$11.1 million during the third quarter of 2003 compared to the same period in 2002, primarily due to:

- operating expenses for the Ocean Vanguard (acquired in December 2002);
- operating expenses for the Ocean Patriot (acquired in March 2003);
- mobilization costs to relocate the Ocean Worker, Ocean Ambassador and the Ocean Whittington to Mexico during the third quarter of 2003; and
- mobilization costs associated with the Ocean Yorktown's move to the Gulf of Mexico from Brazil during the third quarter of 2003.

Partially offsetting the higher contract drilling expenses during the third quarter of 2003 were lower expenses from:

- the Ocean Liberator and the Ocean New Era, which were both cold stacked the entire third quarter of 2003 but were warm stacked during the same period in 2002; and
- the Company's efforts to reduce operating costs, which resulted in lower overall contract drilling expenses.

Jack-Ups.

Revenues. Revenues from jack-ups increased \$4.3 million during the third quarter of 2003 compared to the same quarter in 2002.

Higher average operating dayrates for all of the rigs in this classification contributed to the higher revenue as average dayrates rose to \$27,800 during the third quarter of 2003 from \$22,400 during the third quarter of 2002.

Utilization dropped to 64% during the third quarter of 2003 compared to 65% during the third quarter of 2002, primarily due to:

- the Ocean Sovereign, which was stacked all of the third quarter of 2003 but operated throughout the same period of 2002; and
- the Ocean Titan, which continued its upgrade to install a cantilever package for all of the third quarter of 2003 but operated during most of the third quarter of 2002.

Partially offsetting were improvements in utilization from:

- the Ocean Spartan and Ocean Spur, which worked most of the third quarter of 2003 compared to the same period in 2002 when these rigs were undergoing leg extension upgrades; and
- the Ocean Heritage, which worked one month in the third quarter of 2003 but was in a shipyard for a leg extension upgrade during the same period of 2002.

Contract Drilling Expense. Contract drilling expense for jack-ups during the third quarter of 2003 rose \$3.0 million from the same period in 2002 primarily from:

- higher operating costs for the Ocean Spartan and Ocean Spur, as these rigs worked most of the third quarter of 2003 compared to the same period in 2002 when these rigs were undergoing leg extension upgrades; and
- higher operating costs for the Ocean Tower, as the rig worked all of the third quarter of 2003 compared to the same period in 2002 when the rig began its cantilever upgrade in mid-August 2002.

Partially offsetting were lower expenses during the third quarter of 2003 for the Ocean Titan due to the capitalization of most of its costs associated with its cantilever upgrade, which began in the second quarter of 2003

Reimbursable expenses, net.

Reimbursable expenses include items that the Company purchases, and/or services it performs, at the request of its customers. Revenues related to reimbursable items, offset by the related expenditures for these items, were \$0.8 million and \$0.6 million for the quarters ended September 30, 2003 and 2002, respectively.

Depreciation.

Depreciation expense decreased \$1.9 million to \$43.3 million in the third quarter of 2003 compared to \$45.2 million in the third quarter of 2002. An \$8.2 million reduction in depreciation expense for the third quarter of 2003 resulted from increasing the estimated service lives and salvage values for most of the Company's drilling rigs, effective April 1, 2003, to better reflect their remaining economic lives and salvage values. This reduction was partially offset by depreciation of the Ocean Vanguard and the Ocean Patriot, which the Company acquired in December 2002 and March 2003, respectively, additional depreciation for five of the Company's recently upgraded jack-up rigs and additional depreciation for the Ocean Rover, which completed its upgrade in July 2003.

General and Administrative Expense.

General and administrative expense for the quarter ended September 30, 2003 of \$7.2 million increased \$0.2 million over \$7.0 million for the same period in 2002. This increase was primarily due to higher professional expenses for legal fees, tax planning for foreign operations and higher net operating costs from the corporate office building due to a reduction in rental income to offset expenses. Partially offsetting was a reduction in personnel costs.

Loss on Sale and Disposition of Assets.

A loss on the sale and disposition of assets of \$1.5 million occurred during the quarter ended September 30, 2003 primarily from the retirement of two of the Company's second generation semisubmersible drilling rigs, the Ocean Century and Ocean Prospector. These rigs have been cold stacked since July 1998 and October 1998, respectively, are being offered for sale and, as a result of this decision, were written down to their fair market values. A loss on the sale of assets of approximately \$23,000 occurred during the quarter ended September 30, 2002.

Interest Income.

Interest income of \$2.7 million earned during the quarter ended September 30, 2003 declined \$4.0 million, from \$6.7 million earned during the same period in 2002. Interest income was lower primarily due to the lower interest rates earned on cash and marketable securities compared to the same period in 2002. In addition, the Company had less cash investment in the third quarter of 2003 than in the same period of 2002.

Gain (Loss) on Sale of Marketable Securities.

A loss on the sale of marketable securities of \$6.2 million occurred in the quarter ended September 30, 2003 compared to a \$21.9 million gain on the sale of marketable securities during the same period in 2002.

Income Tax Benefit (Expense).

An income tax benefit of \$1.7 million was recognized on a pre-tax loss of \$13.2 million in the third quarter of 2003 compared to tax expense of \$9.8 million which was recognized on pre-tax income of \$31.5 million in the third quarter of 2002.

In 2002 the Company formed a Cayman Islands corporation, Diamond Offshore International Limited, which is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Diamond Offshore Drilling, Inc. Certain of the Company's rigs that operate internationally are now owned and operated, directly or indirectly, by the Cayman Islands subsidiary. Effective January 1, 2003 the Company began to postpone remittance of the earnings from this subsidiary to the U.S. and indefinitely reinvest these earnings internationally. Consequently, no U.S. taxes were provided on these earnings and no U.S. tax benefits were recognized on losses during the third quarter of 2003. The 13.1% effective tax rate for the three months ended September 30, 2003 resulted from a revision of the estimated annual effective tax rate from 16.7% in the second quarter of 2003 to 15.9% in the third quarter of 2003.

In 2002 a portion of the earnings from the Company's U.K. subsidiaries was considered to be indefinitely reinvested. No U.S. taxes were provided on these earnings in the third quarter of 2002 and the estimated annual effective tax rate as of September 30, 2002 was 31.9%. The effective rate of 31.1% for the three months ended September 30, 2002 resulted from a revision of the estimated annual effective tax rate from 32.4% in the second quarter of 2002 to 31.9% in the third quarter of 2002. These U.K. subsidiaries are now owned, directly or indirectly, by Diamond Offshore International Limited. Consequently, earnings and losses from the U.K. subsidiaries for the third quarter ended September 30, 2003 are part of the earnings and losses of the Cayman Islands subsidiary on which no U.S. taxes are provided.

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2003 AND 2002

Comparative data relating to the Company's revenues and operating expenses by equipment type are listed below (eliminations offset (i) dayrate revenues earned when the Company's rigs are utilized in its integrated services and (ii) intercompany expenses charged to rig operations). Certain amounts applicable to the prior periods have been reclassified to conform to the classifications currently followed. Such reclassifications do not affect earnings.

	NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30,					
	2003		2002			AVORABLE/ FAVORABLE)
				thousands)		
CONTRACT DRILLING REVENUE High Specification Floaters Other Semisubmersibles Jack-ups Integrated Services Other Eliminations	\$	215,982 185,556 69,688 1,189 (362) (233)	\$	222,771 242,802 75,042 9,246 (436) (1,937)	\$	(6,789) (57,246) (5,354) (8,057) 74 1,704
TOTAL CONTRACT DRILLING REVENUE	\$ ==	471,820 =======		547,488 ========	\$ =====	(75,668) ======
REVENUES RELATED TO REIMBURSABLE EXPENSES	\$	21,436	\$	22,032	\$	(596)
CONTRACT DRILLING EXPENSE High Specification Floaters Other Semisubmersibles Jack-ups Integrated Services Other Eliminations	\$	116,805 170,021 74,940 2,084 1,593 (233)	\$	113,374 161,680 69,131 10,568 1,347 (1,937)	\$	(3,431) (8,341) (5,809) 8,484 (246) (1,704)
TOTAL CONTRACT DRILLING EXPENSE	\$	365,210		354,163	\$	(11,047)
REIMBURSABLE EXPENSES	\$	19,471	\$	20,012	\$	541
OPERATING INCOME (LOSS) High Specification Floaters Other Semisubmersibles Jack-ups Integrated Services Other Reimbursable expenses, net Depreciation General and administrative expense Gain (loss) on sale and disposition of assets	\$	99,177 15,535 (5,252) (895) (1,955) 1,965 (132,086) (22,595) (1,451)	\$	109,397 81,122 5,911 (1,322) (1,783) 2,020 (132,469) (21,114) 42	\$	(10,220) (65,587) (11,163) 427 (172) (55) 383 (1,481) (1,493)
TOTAL OPERATING INCOME (LOSS)	\$	(47,557)	\$ =====	41,804	\$ ======	(89,361)

High Specification Floaters.

Revenues. Revenues from high specification floaters decreased 6.8 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2003 compared to the same period in 2002.

Lower average operating dayrates for most of the rigs in this classification resulted in a \$35.2 million reduction in revenue. Average operating dayrates fell to \$95,700 (excluding the Ocean Rover) in the first nine months of 2003 from \$113,100 during the same period of 2002. Significant reductions in the average operating dayrates were:

- the Ocean Baroness (\$158,900 to \$99,000);
- the Ocean Victory (\$107,500 to \$69,300); and
- the Ocean Valiant (\$82,300 to \$51,100).

An overall improvement in utilization during the nine months ended September 30, 2003 contributed \$19.7 million to revenues and partially offset the negative effect of lower average operating dayrates. Utilization (excluding the Ocean Rover) rose to 88% in the first nine months of 2003 from 83% during the same period in 2002. Utilization improved for:

- the Ocean America, which worked all of the nine months ended September 30, 2003 but was stacked five months during the same period in 2002;
- the Ocean Star, which worked most of the nine months ended September 30, 2003 but was stacked four months during the same period in 2002, including three months for inspection and repairs; and
- the Ocean Baroness, which worked more days during the first nine months of 2003 than in the same period in 2002 when the rig spent most of the first quarter of 2002 completing its upgrade to high specification capabilities.

Partially offsetting the overall improvement in utilization was a decline in utilization for the Ocean Valiant, which was stacked approximately three more months during the nine months ended September 30, 2003 than in the same period of 2002.

Also offsetting the decrease in revenue due to lower average operating dayrates noted above was the Ocean Rover, which contributed an additional \$8.7 million to revenues when it began its drilling program offshore Malaysia in July 2003 upon completion of its upgrade to high specification capabilities. The rig spent all of the first nine months of 2002 undergoing its upgrade.

Contract Drilling Expense. Contract drilling expense for high specification floaters for the nine months ended September 30, 2003 increased \$3.4 million compared to the same period in 2002. Higher contract drilling expenses were primarily due to:

- operating costs for the Ocean Baroness, which worked most of the current year period compared to the same period in 2002 when the rig began operations late in the first quarter upon completion of its upgrade;
- operating costs associated with the Ocean Rover, which began operating in July 2003 compared to the first nine months of 2002, when most of the rig's costs were capitalized in connection with its upgrade; and
- mobilization, inspection and repair costs incurred by the Ocean Valiant during the nine months ended September 30, 2003

These higher contract drilling expenses were partially offset by lower expenses for the nine months ended September 30, 2003 when compared to the same period in 2002. The declines resulted from:

- higher costs incurred during the first nine months of 2002 for the recovery of the Ocean Baroness's marine riser, net of costs charged to an associated insurance claim; and
- inspection and repair costs to the Ocean Victory and the Ocean Star incurred during the first nine months of 2002.

Other Semisubmersibles.

Revenues. Revenues from other semisubmersibles for the nine months ended September 30, 2003 decreased \$57.2 million from the same period in 2002.

A decline in the average operating dayrate (excluding the Ocean Patriot and the Ocean Vanguard), from \$69,300 during the first nine months of 2002 to \$58,500 during the same period of 2003, resulted in lower revenues of \$34.2 million. The most significant decreases in average operating dayrates were to:

- the Ocean Guardian (\$89,600 to \$55,500);
- the Ocean Princess (\$72,500 to \$40,200); and
- the Ocean Nomad (\$74,800 to \$42,700).

Lower utilization of 53% (excluding the Ocean Patriot and the Ocean Vanguard) during the first nine months of 2003 compared to 61% for the same period of 2002 resulted in a \$31.0 million revenue decrease. Utilization declined primarily due to:

- the Ocean Epoch, which has been stacked the majority of 2003 but worked most of 2002;
- the Ocean Whittington, which was stacked until early June 2003 when it began mobilizing to the Gulf of Mexico for its long-term contract offshore Mexico, which it began on July 30, 2003. The rig operated during most of the same period in 2002 offshore Africa; and
- the Ocean Guardian and Ocean Princess, both of which have been stacked approximately three months during the first nine months of 2003 compared to 2002 when both rigs worked most of the period.

Partially offsetting the lower revenue was \$8.0 million contributed by the Ocean Vanguard and the Ocean Patriot, which the Company acquired in December 2002 and March 2003, respectively.

Contract Drilling Expense. Contract drilling expense for other semisubmersibles during the nine months ended September 30, 2003 was higher by \$8.3 million compared to the same period in 2002 primarily due to additional costs in the first nine months of 2003 associated with:

- the Ocean Vanguard and the Ocean Patriot, which the Company acquired in December 2002 and March 2003, respectively;
- the mobilization of the Ocean Worker, Ocean Ambassador and the Ocean Whittington to Mexico in 2003; and
- the inspections of the Ocean Ambassador, Ocean Guardian, Ocean Nomad and the Ocean Bounty during 2003.

Partially offsetting the higher contract drilling expenses during the first nine months of 2003 were lower expenses resulting from the Ocean Liberator, Ocean New Era, Ocean Voyager and the Ocean Endeavor which have been cold stacked for all of 2003 but were warm stacked during most or part of the same period in 2002.

Jack-Ups.

Revenues. Revenues from jack-ups decreased \$5.4 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2003 compared to the same period in 2002.

Utilization fell to 67% during the nine months ended September 30, 2003 from 72% during the same period in 2002, resulting in a \$4.8 million reduction in revenue. The decline in utilization was primarily from:

- the Ocean Sovereign, which spent most of the 2003 period in a shipyard completing its leg extension upgrade but operated offshore Indonesia throughout the same period in 2002; and
- the Ocean Titan, which began its cantilever conversion upgrade in May 2003 but worked almost all of the same period in 2002.

Partially offsetting the reduction in revenue were improvements in utilization for:

- the Ocean Spartan, Ocean Spur and the Ocean Heritage, which were undergoing leg extension upgrades during 2002 but operated during most of the same period in 2003; and
- the Ocean Crusader, which was stacked for approximately three months in 2002 but operated throughout the 2003 period.

Average operating dayrates remained relatively constant between the nine months ended 2002 and the same period in 2003 ranging from \$27,200 in the 2002 period to \$27,400 in the 2003 period.

Contract Drilling Expense. Contract drilling expense for jack-ups during the nine months ended September 30, 2003 increased \$5.8 million from the same period in 2002 primarily due to:

- a majority of costs incurred in 2002 for the Ocean Spartan,
 Ocean Spur and the Ocean Heritage capitalized in connection with their leg extension upgrades; and
- costs associated with the 2003 inspections of the Ocean Drake and Ocean Warwick.

Partially offsetting the higher contract drilling expenses were:

- reduced costs for the Ocean Champion, which was cold stacked during all of 2003 but only part of 2002; and
- reduced costs for the Ocean Titan due to the capitalization of most costs during its cantilever upgrade, which began in the second quarter of 2003.

Integrated Services.

During the first nine months of 2003 integrated services had a loss of \$0.9 million. The loss was comprised of project income of \$0.4 million from the completion of one turnkey plug and abandonment project in the Gulf of Mexico during the first quarter of 2003 which was more than offset by operating overhead costs and insurance premiums. During the first nine months of 2002, an operating loss of \$1.3 million resulted from an unprofitable turnkey project in the Gulf of Mexico.

Reimbursable expenses, net.

Reimbursable expenses include items that the Company purchases, and/or services it performs, at the request of its customers. Revenues related to reimbursable items, offset by the related expenditures for these items, were \$2.0 million for each of the nine month periods ended September 30, 2003 and 2002.

Depreciation.

Depreciation expense decreased \$0.4 million to \$132.1 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2003 compared to \$132.5 million in the same period of 2002. A \$15.1 million reduction in depreciation expense resulted from increasing the estimated service lives and salvage values of most of the Company's drilling rigs, effective April 1, 2003, to better reflect their remaining economic lives and salvage values. This decrease was almost completely offset by additional depreciation from the Ocean Vanguard and the Ocean Patriot, which the Company acquired in December 2002 and March 2003, respectively. Depreciation also rose from additional depreciation for five of the Company's recently upgraded jack-up rigs, additional depreciation for the Ocean Baroness, which completed its upgrade in March 2002, and additional depreciation for the Ocean Rover, which completed its upgrade in July 2003.

General and Administrative Expense.

General and administrative expense of \$22.6 million was \$1.5 million higher during the nine months ended September 30, 2003 than the \$21.1 million incurred during the same period in 2002. This increase was primarily due to severance pay associated with the elimination of certain positions in the Company as part of a cost reduction program and higher professional expenses for legal fees. Partially offsetting was a reduction in other personnel costs.

Gain (Loss) on Sale and Disposition of Assets.

A loss on the sale and disposition of assets of \$1.5 million occurred during the nine months ended September 30, 2003 primarily due to the retirement of two of the Company's second generation semisubmersible drilling rigs, the Ocean Century and Ocean Prospector. These rigs have been cold stacked since July 1998 and October 1998, respectively, are being offered for sale and as a result of this decision, were written down to their fair market values. A gain on the sale of assets of approximately \$42,000 occurred during the nine months ended September 30, 2002.

Interest Income.

Interest income of \$10.2 million earned during the nine months ended September 30, 2003 declined \$13.7 million, from \$23.9 million earned during the same period in 2002. Interest income was lower primarily due to the lower interest rates earned on cash and marketable securities compared to the same period in 2002. In addition, the Company had less cash investment during the nine months ended September 30, 2003 than the same period of 2002.

Gain (Loss) on Sale of Marketable Securities.

A loss on the sale of marketable securities of \$7.3 million occurred during the nine months ended September 30, 2003 compared to a \$34.0 million gain on the sale of marketable securities for the same period in 2002.

Income Tax Benefit (Expense).

An income tax benefit of \$9.4 million was recognized on a pre-tax loss of \$59.1 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2003 compared to tax expense of \$26.4 million which was recognized on pre-tax income of \$82.6 million in the same period of 2002.

The Company's estimated aggregate annual effective income tax rate for the nine months ended September 30, 2003 was 15.9%. In 2002 the Company formed a Cayman Islands corporation, Diamond Offshore International Limited, which is a wholly owned subsidiary of Diamond Offshore Drilling, Inc. Certain of the Company's rigs that operate internationally are now owned and operated, directly or indirectly, by the Cayman Islands subsidiary. Effective January 1, 2003 the Company began to postpone remittance of the earnings from this subsidiary to the U.S. and to indefinitely reinvest these earnings internationally. Consequently, no U.S. taxes were provided on these earnings and no U.S. tax benefits were recognized on losses during the nine months ended September 30, 2003.

The Company's estimated effective income tax rate for the nine months ended September 30, 2002 was 31.9%. In the first quarter of 2002, a portion of the earnings from the Company's U.K. subsidiaries was considered to be indefinitely reinvested and no U.S. taxes were provided on those earnings. These U.K. subsidiaries are now owned, directly or indirectly, by Diamond Offshore International Limited. Consequently, earnings and losses from the U.K. subsidiaries for the nine months ended September 30, 2003 are part of the earnings and losses of the Cayman Islands subsidiary on which no U.S. taxes are provided.

INDUSTRY CONDITIONS

The offshore contract drilling industry continues to be extremely competitive and demand for the Company's drilling services improved only slightly during the third quarter of 2003 compared to the previous quarter. Soft market conditions persisted for deepwater semisubmersibles in the U.S. Gulf of Mexico ("U.S. GOM") where an oversupply of rigs held dayrates at levels below expectations during the quarter. The Company has endeavored to maintain utilization of its deepwater semisubmersible fleet by operating these rigs in the mid-water depth market at lower dayrates when necessary. Utilization of the Company's mid-water depth semisubmersible fleet in the U.S. GOM has been stable with firm dayrates but limited backlog. In contrast, jack-up supply in the U.S. GOM is at its lowest level in 10 years, and dayrates for the jack-up fleet in this sector have improved 20% - 30% during the past three months, with utilization high in all but the low-end jack-up market.

As noted, Pemex-Exploracion Y Produccion ("Pemex"), Mexico's state-owned oil company, has continued to increase its activity offshore by attracting rigs from the U.S waters as well as from abroad. During the third quarter of 2003, the Company began operating three of its semisubmersible rigs under long-term contracts for Pemex. In October 2003, the Company entered into another long term contract with Pemex to operate the Ocean Yorktown, a semisubmersible rig that recently mobilized from Brazil. Additional tenders from Pemex have been announced for jack-up rigs for work beginning in 2004, and further tenders for both semisubmersibles and jack-up rigs may be possible in 2004. There is no assurance that the Company will bid on these initial tenders or possible future jobs, or if it does bid that it will be successful in the bidding process.

In other international markets, the North Sea floater market is weak, with an oversupply of rigs coupled with the normal winter downturn in drilling activity. This market is not expected to begin to recover until the first or second quarter of 2004, and consequently the Company is marketing its two idle North Sea semisubmersibles in other operating theaters. Elsewhere, while the international markets are expected to remain relatively flat into at least early 2004, the Company believes that there is good potential for increased activity particularly offshore West

Africa and India next year and extending into 2005, although there is no assurance that the Company would elect to participate in any such future contract tenders or that it would be successful in the bidding process if it did participate. Additionally, the Company has recently obtained letters of intent for two of its jack-up rigs, the Ocean Sovereign and the Ocean Heritage, to operate into mid-2004. The units are currently stacked.

OPERATIONS OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES

The Company's non-U.S. operations are subject to certain political, economic and other uncertainties not normally encountered in U.S. operations, including risks of war and civil disturbances (or other risks that may limit or disrupt markets), expropriation and the general hazards associated with the assertion of national sovereignty over certain areas in which operations are conducted. No prediction can be made as to what governmental regulations may be enacted in the future that could adversely affect the Company's non-U.S. operations or the international offshore contract drilling industry. The Company's operations outside the United States may also face the additional risk of fluctuating currency values, hard currency shortages, controls of currency exchange and repatriation of income or capital.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2003, the Company entered into contracts to operate three of its semisubmersible rigs offshore Mexico for Pemex, the national oil company of Mexico, and in October 2003 entered into a contract for a fourth semisubmersible to work offshore Mexico for this same customer. The terms of these contracts expose the Company to greater risks than it normally assumes, such as exposure to greater environmental liability. While the Company believes that the financial terms of the contracts and the Company's operating safeguards in place mitigate these risks, there can be no assurance that the Company's increased risk exposure will not have a negative impact on the Company's future operations or financial results.

LIQUIDITY

At September 30, 2003, the Company's cash and marketable securities totaled \$581.1 million, down from \$812.5 million at December 31, 2002. A discussion of the sources and uses of cash for the nine months ended September 30, 2003 compared to the same period in 2002 follows.

	NINE MONTI SEPTEMI			
	 2003	2002		CHANGE
NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES Net income (loss)	\$ (49,716) 132,086 (11,785) 19,252 (24,810)	\$	56,224 132,469 16,450 (25,480) 67,193	\$ (105,940) (383) (28,235) 44,732 (92,003)
	\$ 65,027	\$ =====	246,856 =======	\$ (181,829) ========

Cash generated by a net loss adjusted for non-cash items, including depreciation, for the nine months ended September 30, 2003 decreased \$181.8 million compared to the same period in 2002 primarily due to a decline in the results of operations in the first nine months of 2003.

NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30.

	2003 2002		CHANGE			
		(IN THOUSANDS)				
NET CASH USED IN INVESTING ACTIVITIES						
Capital expenditures (excluding rig acquisition)	\$ (177,416)	\$ (206,055)	\$ 28,639			
Rig acquisition	(63,500)		(63,500)			
Proceeds from sale of assets	`´879´	1,483	(604)			
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marketable securities	2,571,618	3,396,577	(824,958)			
Purchase of marketable securities	(2,359,460)	(3,289,671)	930,210			
Securities repurchased under repurchase	(, , , ,	, , ,	•			
agreements, net		(199,062)	199,062			
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Proceeds from settlement of forward contracts	2,492	986	1,506			
	\$ (25,387)	\$ (295,742)	\$ 270,355			

Net cash used in investing activities decreased \$270.4 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2003 compared to the same period in 2002. During the nine-month periods ended September 30, 2003 and 2002 cash was provided by the net sale and maturity of certain of the Company's investments in marketable securities, the settlement of forward contracts at favorable exchange rates and the sale of miscellaneous equipment. Cash used during the first nine months of 2003 was for the purchase of the semisubmersible rig, Omega, renamed the Ocean Patriot, and capital expenditures, primarily for the completion of the Ocean Rover upgrade and the upgrades of three of the Company's jack-up rigs. During the nine months ended September 30, 2002, \$199.1 million was used for the repurchase of securities sold under repurchase agreements in 2001 and \$206.1 million was used for capital expenditures (primarily the Ocean Baroness and Ocean Rover upgrades). There were no outstanding loaned debt securities at September 30, 2003.

	NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30,					
	2003 2002		CHANGE			
NET CASH USED IN FINANCING ACTIVITIES Payment of dividends	\$	(48,876) 	\$	(49,395) (30,567) (1,193)	\$	519 30,567 1,193
	\$ ==	(48,876) =======	\$ =====	(81,155)	\$	32,279

The Company paid cash dividends of \$48.9 million to stockholders during the nine months ended September 30, 2003 compared to \$49.4 million in the same period of 2002. The dividends were lower for the nine months ended September 30, 2003 as a result of the Company's purchase of shares of its common stock during 2002.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2002, the Company purchased 1,035,800 shares of its common stock at an aggregate cost of \$30.6 million, or \$29.51 per share. This includes the Company's purchase of 500,000 shares of its common stock at an aggregate cost of \$20.0 million, or \$40.00 per share, upon the exercise of put options sold in February 2001. See "--Treasury Stock and Common Equity Put Options" in Note 1 to the Company's Consolidated Financial Statements in Item 1 of Part I of this report. Depending on market conditions, the Company may, from time to time, purchase shares of its common stock or issue put options in the open market or otherwise.

Cash was also used during the nine months ended September 30, 2002 for payments totaling \$1.2 million for the settlement of put options which covered 1,000,000 shares of the Company's common stock. The options gave the holders the right to require the Company to repurchase up to the contracted number of shares of its common stock at the stated exercise price per share at any time prior to their expiration. The Company had the option to settle in cash or shares of its common stock. Put options sold in 2001, which covered 187,321 shares of the Company's common stock, expired during the nine months ended September 30, 2002. See "--Treasury Stock and Common Equity Put Options" in Note 1 to the Company's Consolidated Financial Statements in Item 1 of Part I of this report.

Contractual Cash Obligations.

The Company's long-term debt and operating leases have not changed materially from those discussed and reported in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2002.

The Company is contingently liable as of September 30, 2003 in the amount of \$64.2 million under certain performance, bid, customs and export bonds. Banks have issued letters of credit securing certain of these bonds. All of these obligations expire in less than one year.

Dividend Reduction.

On October 16, 2003 the Company announced that its quarterly cash dividend effective December 1, 2003, for stockholders of record on November 3, 2003 will be \$0.0625 per share of common stock. The dividend rate for previous quarters this year was \$0.125 per share of common stock. The Company elected to reduce the dividend rate in order to help maintain the Company's strong liquidity position in light of recent earnings declines.

Other.

The Company has an effective shelf registration statement under which it has the ability to issue an aggregate of approximately \$117.5 million in debt, equity and other securities. In addition, the Company may issue, from time to time, up to eight million shares of common stock, which shares are registered under an acquisition shelf registration statement (upon effectiveness of an amendment thereto reflecting the effect of the two-for-one stock split declared in July 1997), in connection with one or more acquisitions by the Company of securities or assets of other businesses.

At September 30, 2003 and December 31, 2002, the Company had no off-balance sheet debt.

The Company believes it has the financial resources needed to meet its business requirements in the foreseeable future, including capital expenditures for rig upgrades and continuing rig enhancements, and working capital requirements.

CAPITAL RESOURCES

Cash required to meet the Company's capital commitments is determined by evaluating the need to upgrade rigs to meet specific customer requirements and by evaluating the Company's ongoing rig equipment replacement and enhancement programs, including water depth and drilling capability upgrades. It is management's opinion that operating cash flows and the Company's cash reserves will be sufficient to meet these capital commitments; however, the Company will continue to make periodic assessments based on industry conditions. In addition, the Company may, from time to time, issue debt or equity securities, or a combination thereof, to finance capital expenditures, the acquisition of assets and businesses or for general corporate purposes. The Company's ability to effect any such issuance will be dependent on the Company's results of operations, its current financial condition, current market conditions and other factors beyond its control.

In March 2003, Diamond Offshore Drilling Limited, a subsidiary of the Company, completed the acquisition of the third-generation semisubmersible drilling rig, Omega, renamed the Ocean Patriot for \$65.0 million. The Company capitalized \$63.5 million to rig equipment and recorded \$1.5 million to rig inventory.

The Company expects to spend a total of approximately \$110 million for rig upgrade capital expenditures during 2003 (approximately \$68 million for the Ocean Rover upgrade and approximately \$42 million to complete the upgrades of three of the Company's jack-up rigs). During the nine months ended September 30, 2003, the Company spent \$96.1 million, including capitalized interest expense, for rig upgrades, of which \$67.5 million was for the deepwater upgrade of the Ocean Rover and \$28.6 million was for the Company's jack-up rig upgrade program discussed below.

The upgrade of the Ocean Rover, which began in January 2002, was completed early in July 2003 on time and under budget. The project, originally budgeted to cost \$200 million, was completed for approximately \$189 million. The rig commenced its contract with Murphy Sabah Oil Co., Ltd. on July 10, 2003 for a minimum three well drilling program offshore Malaysia.

The Company's two year program to expand the capabilities of its jack-up fleet by significantly upgrading six of its 14 jack-up rigs is now more than 95% complete. Three of these upgrades were completed in 2002 and two have been completed in 2003. The Ocean Sovereign, a 250-foot water depth independent-leg cantilever rig prior to the upgrade, completed leg extension installations in May 2003 allowing the rig to work in water depths up to 300 feet. The cost of this upgrade was approximately \$11 million. The Ocean Tower, a 350-foot water depth capability independent-leg slot rig prior to its upgrade, completed its cantilever upgrade in March 2003 for approximately \$27 million. The installation of a cantilever package on the Ocean Titan began in May 2003 and is scheduled for completion late in the fourth quarter of 2003.

The Company expects to spend approximately \$100 million to \$110 million in 2003 for capital expenditures associated with its continuing rig enhancement program (other than rig upgrades) and other corporate requirements. During the nine months ended September 30, 2003, the Company spent \$81.3 million on its continuing rig enhancement program and to meet other corporate capital expenditure requirements.

The Company expects to finance its capital expenditures through the use of existing cash balances or internally generated funds.

INTEGRATED SERVICES

The Company's wholly owned subsidiary, Diamond Offshore Team Solutions, Inc. ("DOTS"), from time to time, selectively engages in drilling services pursuant to turnkey or modified-turnkey contracts under which DOTS agrees to drill a well to a specified depth for a fixed price. In such cases, DOTS generally is not entitled to payment unless the well is drilled to the specified depth and other contract requirements are met. Profitability of the contract is dependent upon its ability to keep expenses within the estimates used in determining the contract price. Drilling a well under a turnkey contract therefore typically requires a greater cash commitment by the Company and exposes the Company to risks of potential financial losses that generally are substantially greater than those that would ordinarily exist when drilling under a conventional dayrate contract. During the nine months ended September 30, 2003 integrated services had project income of \$0.4 million from one turnkey plug and abandonment project in the Gulf of Mexico completed in the first quarter of 2003 which was more than offset by operating overhead costs and insurance premiums. During the nine months ended September 30, 2002 an operating loss of \$1.3 million resulted primarily from an unprofitable turnkey project in the Gulf of Mexico. It is the Company's intent not to pursue contracts for integrated services, which includes turnkey contracts, except in very limited circumstances.

RECENT ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS

In May 2003 the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards ("SFAS") No. 150, "Accounting for Certain Financial Instruments with Characteristics of both Liabilities and Equity." This statement requires that an issuer classify a financial instrument that is within its scope as a liability (or an asset in some circumstances). SFAS No. 150 is effective for financial instruments entered into or modified after May 31, 2003, and otherwise is effective at the beginning of the first interim period beginning after June 15, 2003. It is to be implemented by reporting the cumulative effect of a change in an accounting principle for financial instruments created before the issuance date of SFAS No. 150 and still existing at the beginning of the interim period of adoption. Restatement is not permitted. The Company's adoption of SFAS No. 150 has not had a material impact on the Company's consolidated results of operations, financial position or cash flows.

In April 2003 the FASB issued SFAS No. 149, "Amendment of Statement 133 on Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities." This statement amends and clarifies financial accounting and reporting for derivative instruments embedded in other contracts (collectively referred to as derivatives) and for hedging activities under SFAS No. 133. SFAS No. 149 is to be applied prospectively for contracts entered into or modified after June 30, 2003. For contracts involving hedging relationships, SFAS No. 149 should be applied to both existing contracts and new contracts entered into after June 30, 2003. The Company's adoption of SFAS No. 149 has not had a material impact on the Company's consolidated results of operations, financial position or cash flows.

In January 2003 the FASB issued Interpretation No. 46, "Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities, an interpretation of Accounting Research Bulletin No. 51" ("FIN 46"). This interpretation provides guidance on the identification of, and financial reporting for, entities over which control is achieved through means other than voting rights, or variable-interest entities ("VIEs"). FIN 46 is effective as of the beginning of the first interim or annual period ending after December 15, 2003 for existing interests and effective immediately for new interests. The Company believes that, currently, it does not have any VIEs within the scope of FIN 46.

In December 2002 the FASB issued SFAS No. 148, "Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation-Transition and Disclosure." SFAS No. 148 amends SFAS No. 123, "Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation," to provide alternative methods of transition for a voluntary change to the fair value based method of accounting for stock-based employee compensation. In addition, SFAS No. 148 amends the disclosure requirements of SFAS No. 123 to require prominent disclosures in both annual and interim financial statements regarding the method of accounting for stock-based employee compensation and the effect of the method used on reported results. SFAS No. 148 is effective for financial statements for fiscal years ending after December 15, 2002. The Company accounts for stock-based employee compensation in accordance with Accounting Principles Board Opinion No. 25, "Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees." The Company has adopted the provisions of SFAS No. 148 which require prominent disclosure regarding the method of accounting for stock-based employee compensation in its annual and interim financial statements. See "--Stock-Based Compensation" In Note 1 to the Company's Consolidated Financial Statements in Item 1 of Part 1 of this report.

In July 2002 the FASB issued SFAS No. 146, "Accounting for Costs Associated with Exit or Disposal Activities." SFAS No. 146 requires companies to recognize costs associated with exit or disposal activities when they are incurred rather than at the date of a commitment to an exit or disposal plan. SFAS No. 146 is to be applied prospectively to exit or disposal activities initiated after December 31, 2002. The Company's adoption of SFAS No. 146 has not had a material impact on the Company's consolidated results of operations, financial position or cash flows.

FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

Certain written and oral statements made or incorporated by reference from time to time by the Company or its representatives are "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"). All statements other than statements of historical fact are, or may be deemed to be, forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements include, without limitation, any statement that may project, indicate or imply future results, events, performance or achievements, and may contain or be identified by the words "expect," "intend," "plan," "predict," "anticipate," "estimate," "believe," "should," "could," "may," "might," "will be," "will continue," "will likely result," "project," "forecast," "budget" and similar expressions. Statements by the Company in this report that contain forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, information concerning possible or assumed future results of operations of the Company and statements about the following subjects:

- future market conditions and the effect of such conditions on the Company's future results of operations (see "- Industry Conditions");
- future uses of and requirements for financial resources, including, but not limited to, expenditures related to the upgrade of the Ocean Titan, one of the Company's jack-up rigs (see "- Liquidity" and "- Capital Resources");
- interest rate and foreign exchange risk (see "Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk");
- future contractual obligations (see "--Industry Conditions,"
 "--Operations Outside the United States" and "- Liquidity Contractual Cash Obligations");
- future operations outside the United States including, without limitation, the Company's operations in Mexico (see "--Industry Conditions" and "--Operations Outside the United States");
- business strategy;
- growth opportunities;
- competitive position;
- expected financial position;
- future cash flows;
- future dividends;
- financing plans;
- tax planning;
- budgets for capital and other expenditures (see "--Capital Resources");
- timing and cost of completion of rig upgrades and other capital projects (see "--Capital Resources");
- delivery dates and drilling contracts related to rig

- plans and objectives of management;
- performance of contracts (see "--Industry Conditions,"
 "--Operations Outside the United States" and "--Integrated
 Services");
- outcomes of legal proceedings;
- compliance with applicable laws; and
- adequacy of insurance or indemnification.

Such statements inherently are subject to a variety of risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those expected, projected or expressed in forward-looking statements. Such risks and uncertainties include, among others, the following:

- general economic and business conditions;
- worldwide demand for oil and natural gas;
- changes in foreign and domestic oil and gas exploration, development and production activity;
- oil and natural gas price fluctuations and related market expectations;
- the ability of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries, commonly called OPEC, to set and maintain production levels and pricing, and the level of production in non-OPEC countries;
- policies of the various governments regarding exploration and development of oil and gas reserves;
- advances in exploration and development technology;
- the political environment of oil-producing regions;
- casualty losses;
- operating hazards inherent in drilling for oil and gas offshore;
- industry fleet capacity;
- market conditions in the offshore contract drilling industry, including dayrates and utilization levels;
- competition;
- changes in foreign, political, social and economic conditions;
- risks of international operations, compliance with foreign laws and taxation policies and expropriation or nationalization of equipment and assets;
- risks of potential contractual liabilities pursuant to the Company's various drilling contracts in effect from time to time;
- foreign exchange and currency fluctuations and regulations, and the inability to repatriate income or capital;
- risks of war, military operations, other armed hostilities, terrorist acts and embargoes;
- changes in offshore drilling technology, which could require significant capital expenditures in order to maintain competitiveness;
- regulatory initiatives and compliance with governmental regulations;
- compliance with environmental laws and regulations;
- customer preferences;
- effects of litigation;
- cost, availability and adequacy of insurance;
- adequacy of the Company's sources of liquidity;
- risks inherent in turnkey operations, including the risk of failure to complete a well and cost overruns;
- the availability of qualified personnel to operate and service the Company's drilling rigs; and

various other matters, many of which are beyond the Company's control.

The risks included here are not exhaustive. Other sections of this report and the Company's other filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission include additional factors that could adversely affect the Company's business, results of operations and financial performance. Given these risks and uncertainties, investors should not place undue reliance on forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements included in this report speak only as of the date of this report. 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.

The information included in this Item 3 is considered to constitute "forward-looking statements" for purposes of the statutory safe harbor provided in Section 27A of the Securities Act and Section 21E of the Exchange Act. See "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations - Forward-Looking Statements" in Item 2 of Part I of this report.

The Company's measure of market risk exposure represents an estimate of the change in fair value of its financial instruments. Market risk exposure is presented for each class of financial instrument held by the Company at September 30, 2003 and December 31, 2002 assuming immediate adverse market movements of the magnitude described below. The Company believes that the various rates of adverse market movements represent a measure of exposure to loss under hypothetically assumed adverse conditions. The estimated market risk exposure represents the hypothetical loss to future earnings and does not represent the maximum possible loss or any expected actual loss, even under adverse conditions, because actual adverse fluctuations would likely differ. In addition, since the Company's investment portfolio is subject to change based on its portfolio management strategy as well as in response to changes in the market, these estimates are not necessarily indicative of the actual results which may occur.

Exposure to market risk is managed and monitored by senior management. Senior management approves the overall investment strategy employed by the Company and has responsibility to ensure that the investment positions are consistent with that strategy and the level of risk acceptable to it. The Company may manage risk by buying or selling instruments or entering into offsetting positions.

Interest Rate Risk

The Company has exposure to interest rate risk arising from changes in the level or volatility of interest rates. The Company's investments in marketable securities are primarily in fixed maturity securities. The Company monitors its sensitivity to interest rate risk by evaluating the change in the value of its financial assets and liabilities due to fluctuations in interest rates. The evaluation is performed by applying an instantaneous change in interest rates by varying magnitudes on a static balance sheet to determine the effect such a change in rates would have on the recorded market value of the Company's investments and the resulting effect on stockholders' equity. The analysis presents the sensitivity of the market value of the Company's financial instruments to selected changes in market rates and prices which the Company believes are reasonably possible over a one-year period.

The sensitivity analysis estimates the change in the market value of the Company's interest sensitive assets and liabilities that were held on September 30, 2003 and December 31, 2002 due to instantaneous parallel shifts in the yield curve of 100 basis points, with all other variables held constant.

The interest rates on certain types of assets and liabilities may fluctuate in advance of changes in market interest rates, while interest rates on other types may lag behind changes in market rates. Accordingly the analysis may not be indicative of, is not intended to provide, and does not provide a precise forecast of the effect of changes of market interest rates on the Company's earnings or stockholders' equity. Further, the computations do not contemplate any actions the Company could undertake in response to changes in interest rates.

The Company's long-term debt, as of September 30, 2003 and December 31, 2002 is denominated in U.S. dollars. The Company's debt has been primarily issued at fixed rates, and as such, interest expense would not be impacted by interest rate shifts. The impact of a 100 basis point increase in interest rates on fixed rate debt would result in a decrease in market value of \$152.0 million and \$153.8 million, respectively. A 100 basis point decrease would result in an increase in market value of \$189.1 million and \$192.7 million, respectively.

Foreign Exchange Risk

Foreign exchange rate risk arises from the possibility that changes in foreign currency exchange rates will impact the value of financial instruments. In mid-2002, the Company had contracted to purchase approximately 50.0 million Australian dollars, 4.2 million Australian dollars to be purchased monthly from August 29, 2002 through June 26, 2003 and 3.8 million to be purchased on July 31, 2003. As of September 30, 2003 the Company had satisfied all obligations under this contract and no new forward exchange contracts had been entered into. These foreign exchange forward contracts are recorded at their fair value determined by discounting future cash flows at current forward rates. An asset of \$0.2 million reflecting the fair value of the forward contracts was included with

"Prepaid expenses and other" in the Consolidated Balance Sheet at December 31, 2002. The sensitivity analysis assumes an instantaneous 20% change in the foreign currency exchange rates versus the U.S. dollar from their levels at December 31, 2002, with all other variables held constant.

The following table presents the Company's market risk by category (interest rates and foreign currency exchange rates):

	FAIR VALUE ASSET	` ,	MARKET	RISK
CATEGORY OF RISK EXPOSURE:	SEPTEMBER 30, 2003	DECEMBER 31, 2002	SEPTEMBER 30, 2003	DECEMBER 31, 2002
		(IN THOUS	SANDS)	
Interest rate: Marketable securities Long-term debt Foreign Exchange	\$ 405,447 (a) (919,529)(b)	\$ 627,614 (a) (901,800)(b)	\$ 800 (c)	\$ 21,500 (c) 2,300 (d)

- (b) The fair values of the Company's 1.5% convertible senior debentures due 2031 and zero coupon convertible debentures due 2020 are based on the quoted closing market prices on September 30, 2003 and December 31, 2002. The fair value of the Company's Ocean Alliance lease-leaseback agreement is based on the present value of estimated future cash flows using a discount rate of 4.57% for September 30, 2003 and 6.62% for December 31, 2002.
- (c) The calculation of estimated market risk exposure is based on assumed adverse changes in the underlying reference price or index of an increase in interest rates of 100 basis points at September 30, 2003 and December 31, 2002.
- (d) The calculation of estimated market risk exposure is based on assumed adverse changes in the underlying reference price or index of a decrease in foreign exchange rates of 20% at December 31, 2002.

⁽a) The fair market value of the Company's investment in marketable securities is based on the quoted closing market prices on September 30, 2003 and December 31, 2002.

ITEM 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES.

The Company's management formed a disclosure controls and procedures committee (the "Disclosure Committee") in 2002. The purpose and responsibility of the Disclosure Committee is to coordinate and review the process by which information is recorded, processed, summarized and reported on a timely basis as required to be disclosed by the Company in its reports filed, furnished or submitted under the Exchange Act. In addition, the Disclosure Committee is responsible for ensuring that this information is accumulated and communicated to the Company's management, including its principal executive officer and principal financial officer, as appropriate, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures

Based upon their evaluation, as of the end of the period covered by this report, of the effectiveness of the Company's disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rule 13a-15(e)), the Company's principal executive officer and principal financial officer concluded that the Company's disclosure controls and procedures are adequate to ensure that information the Company is required to disclose in reports it files or submits under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the Securities and Exchange Commission's rules and forms.

Changes in Internal Controls

In connection with such evaluation, no change was identified in the Company's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the Company's most recent fiscal quarter that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

PART II. OTHER INFORMATION

ITEM 6. EXHIBITS AND REPORTS ON FORM 8-K.

- (a) Exhibits See the Exhibit Index for a list of those exhibits filed herewith.
- (b) The Company made the following reports on Form 8-K during the third quarter of 2003:

Date of Report	Description of Report
July 8, 2003	Item 9 Regulation FD disclosure (informational only)
July 17, 2003	Item 12 Results of Operations and Financial Condition for the fiscal quarter ended June 30, 2003
July 21, 2003	Item 9 Regulation FD disclosure (informational only)
August 5, 2003	Item 9 Regulation FD disclosure (informational only)
August 19, 2003	Item 9 Regulation FD disclosure (informational only)
September 2, 2003	Item 9 Regulation FD disclosure (informational only)
September 16, 2003	Item 9 Regulation FD disclosure (informational only)
September 30, 2003	Item 9 Regulation FD disclosure (informational only)

SIGNATURES

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

 $\begin{array}{c} {\tt DIAMOND~OFFSHORE~DRILLING,~INC.}\\ {\tt (Registrant)} \end{array}$

Date 04-Nov-2003 By: \s\ Gary T. Krenek

Gary T. Krenek Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Date 04-Nov-2003

\s\ Beth G. Gordon

Beth G. Gordon

Controller (Chief Accounting Officer)

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EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No.	Description
3.1	Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Company (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended June 30, 2003).
3.2	Amended and Restated By-laws of the Company (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.2 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended March 31, 2001).
31.1*	Rule 13a-14(a) Certification of the Chief Executive Officer.
31.2*	Rule 13a-14(a) Certification of the Chief Financial Officer.
32.1*	Section 1350 Certification of the Chief Executive Officer.
32.2*	Section 1350 Certification of the Chief Financial Officer.

^{*} Filed or furnished herewith.

I, James S. Tisch, certify that:

- I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Diamond Offshore Drilling, Inc.;
- Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) for the registrant and have:
 - (a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - (b) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - (c) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - (a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably $\frac{1}{2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1$

likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and

(b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: November 4, 2003

/s/ James S. Tisch

James S. Tisch Chief Executive Officer

I, Gary T. Krenek, certify that:

- I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Diamond Offshore Drilling, Inc.;
- Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) for the registrant and have:
 - (a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - (b) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - (c) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):

- (a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
- (b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: November 4, 2003

/s/ Gary T. Krenek
-----Gary T. Krenek
Chief Financial Officer

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350, AS ADOPTED BY SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

- I, James S. Tisch, as Chief Executive Officer of Diamond Offshore Drilling, Inc. (the "Company"), certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted by Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that to my knowledge:
- (1) the accompanying Form 10-Q report of the Company for the period ending September 30, 2003, as filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Report"), fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended; and
- (2) the information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Dated: November 4, 2003

/s/ James S. Tisch

James S. Tisch, Chief Executive Officer of the Company

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350, AS ADOPTED BY SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

- I, Gary T. Krenek, as Chief Financial Officer of Diamond Offshore Drilling, Inc. (the "Company"), certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted by Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that to my knowledge:
- (1) the accompanying Form 10-Q report of the Company for the period ending September 30, 2003, as filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Report"), fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended; and
- (2) the information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Dated: November 4, 2003

/s/ Gary T. Krenek

Gary T. Krenek, Chief Financial Officer of the Company