

**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

**CURRENT REPORT
PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d)
OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

Date of Report: (Date of earliest event reported): May 8, 2023

Diamond Offshore Drilling, Inc.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

1-13926
(Commission
file number)

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

**15415 Katy Freeway
Houston, Texas 77094**
(Address of principal executive offices, including Zip Code)

(281) 492-5300
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- ☐ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- ☐ Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- ☐ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- ☐ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Exchange Act:

Title of each class	Trading Symbol	Name of each exchange on which registered
Common Stock, \$0.0001 par value per share	DO	New York Stock Exchange

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company ☐

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. ☐

Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On May 8, 2023, Diamond Offshore Drilling, Inc. (the “Company”) issued a press release announcing its financial results for the fiscal quarter ended March 31, 2023. A copy of the press release is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure

A conference call to discuss the Company’s earnings results has been scheduled for 8:00 a.m. Central Time on May 9, 2023. The information for accessing the conference call is included in the press release. A copy of the slide presentation to be referenced in connection with the conference call is posted on the Investor Relations section of the Company’s website at www.diamondoffshore.com under Calendar of Events.

The Company hereby incorporates by reference into this Item 7.01 the summary report of the status, as of May 9, 2023, of the Company’s offshore drilling rigs attached as Exhibit 99.2.

The information contained in Items 2.02 and 7.01 and Exhibits 99.1 and 99.2 to this report shall not be deemed “filed” for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “Exchange Act”), and shall not be incorporated by reference into any previous or future registration statement filed under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the “Securities Act”), unless specifically identified therein as being incorporated by reference.

Statements in this report and statements in the press release furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this report or the rig status report furnished as Exhibit 99.2 to this report, and statements made during the conference call described in this report, in each case that are not historical facts are “forward-looking statements” within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act and Section 21E of the Exchange Act. Such statements may include, but are not limited to, statements concerning future contract effectiveness and estimated duration; expectations regarding downtime, reactivation, upgrades and capital expenditures, surveys, retirement, availability, utilization, scrapping, impairments, backlog and revenue expected to result from backlog, future revenue, operating costs, performance, future liquidity and financial condition, market conditions, commodity prices and strategic opportunities; contract noncompliance by customers and other third parties; outcomes of customer discussions; future impact of regulations; and other statements that are not of historical fact. Forward-looking statements are inherently uncertain and subject to a variety of assumptions, risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those currently anticipated or expected by management of the Company. A discussion of certain of the risk factors and other considerations that could materially impact these matters as well as the Company’s overall business and financial performance can be found in the Company’s reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, and readers of this report are urged to review those reports carefully when considering these forward-looking statements. Copies of these reports are available through the Company’s website at www.diamondoffshore.com. These risk factors include, among others, risks associated with worldwide demand for drilling services, level of activity in the oil and gas industry, renewing or replacing expired or terminated contracts, contract cancellations and terminations, maintenance and realization of backlog, competition and industry fleet capacity, impairments and retirements, operating risks, litigation and disputes, permits and approvals for drilling operations, the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic and related

disruptions to the global economy, supply chain and normal business operations across sectors and countries, changes in tax laws and rates, regulatory initiatives and compliance with governmental regulations, casualty losses, and various other factors, many of which are beyond the Company's control. Given these risk factors and other considerations, investors and analysts should not place undue reliance on forward-looking statements. Each forward-looking statement speaks only as of the date of such statement, and 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.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) *Exhibits.*

<u>Exhibit number</u>	<u>Description</u>
99.1	Press Release dated May 8, 2023
99.2	Rig Status Report as of May 9, 2023
104	Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document)

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 hereunto duly authorized.

Date: May 9, 2023

DIAMOND OFFSHORE DRILLING, INC.

By: /s/ David L. Roland

David L. Roland

Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary



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Diamond Offshore Reports First Quarter 2023 Results and

Announces Contract Awards of \$212 Million

- *Awarded \$212 million in New Contracts*
- *Ocean GreatWhite Completes Reactivation and Commences Contract*
- *Performance Bonus Earned by Senegal Rigs for Third Consecutive Quarter*
- *Revenue and Adjusted EBITDA increased compared to the 4th quarter 2022*

HOUSTON, May 8, 2023 — Diamond Offshore Drilling, Inc. (NYSE: DO) today reported the following results for the first quarter of 2023:

<i>Thousands of dollars, except per share data</i>	Three Months Ended	
	March 31, 2023	December 31, 2022
Total revenues	\$ 232,021	\$ 223,264
Operating loss	(4,960)	(12,191)
Adjusted EBITDA	21,733	12,480
Net income (loss)	7,229	(52,438)
Income (loss) per diluted share	\$ 0.07	\$ (0.52)

Diamond Offshore announced contract awards for the 7th generation drillship *Ocean BlackHawk* in the U.S. Gulf of Mexico and the harsh environment semisubmersibles, *Ocean Patriot*, *Ocean Endeavor* and *Ocean GreatWhite* in the U.K. North Sea. The \$212 million in contract awards for the Company is in addition to the \$1.6 billion of backlog reported as of April 1, 2023.

Bernie Wolford, Jr., President and Chief Executive Officer of Diamond Offshore, stated “Securing work at significantly improved dayrates with quality customers further demonstrates the value our crews and assets are delivering. These awards reflect the continued strength of both the drillship and semisubmersible markets and our ability to capture meaningful upside as our rigs become available.”

The *Ocean BlackHawk* has been awarded a one-year contract with a one-year priced option with Anadarko Petroleum Corporation, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Occidental, in the U.S. Gulf of Mexico. The contract is expected to commence in the fourth quarter of 2023.

In the U.K. North Sea, the *Ocean Patriot* has secured a two-well contract. The contract is expected to commence in the second half of the third quarter. Wolford added, “A potential second new contract currently under negotiation would fill out the remaining availability in 2023 and keep the rig contracted through the winter season.” The *Ocean Endeavor* has been awarded an extension covering two wells with an estimated duration of 120 days with its current client. The contract is expected to commence in early November 2023. Further, the *Ocean GreatWhite* had its first option well exercised by its current client with an estimated duration of 60 days. The option well is expected to commence in mid-January 2024 after completion of the initial five-well firm period. There are priced options remaining for up to seven additional wells.

First Quarter Results

Contract drilling revenue for the first quarter totaled \$232 million compared to \$223 million in the fourth quarter of 2022. The increase in revenue quarter-over-quarter was primarily driven by the *Ocean BlackHornet* commencing its second option period with bp at a higher dayrate. Results for the first quarter also reflect the completion of the reactivation of the *Ocean GreatWhite* and commencement of its contract in the North Sea near the end of March.

Contract drilling expense for the first quarter decreased to \$173 million, compared to \$178 million in the prior quarter, largely due to the *Ocean Onyx* being cold-stacked for the entire quarter.

General and administrative expenses were \$20 million in the first quarter compared to \$17 million in the prior quarter. The increase was primarily attributable to higher personnel costs and professional fees.

Tax benefit for the first quarter was \$26 million as compared to a tax expense of \$26 million in the prior quarter. The tax benefit recorded in the first quarter is based on the computation and application of the Company's annual effective tax rate in accordance with U.S. GAAP accounting standards, adjusted for discrete items. The fourth quarter tax provision was attributable to the lack of tax benefit on losses in certain jurisdictions as well as the increase in certain tax reserves for potential tax exposures.

Operational Highlights

The reactivation of the *Ocean GreatWhite* was completed in the first quarter, and the rig commenced an approximate 300-day contract with bp, its first contract award since stacking in 2020. The *Ocean BlackRhino*, operating in Senegal, earned a performance bonus from Woodside Energy, marking the third consecutive quarter during which the Company's Senegal rigs earned a bonus. The *Ocean Endeavor* returned to work for Shell in the North Sea after completing its shipyard stay for its special hull survey and structural upgrades.

Revenue efficiency for the quarter remained level at approximately 96%, demonstrating consistent and efficient operations.

Also during the quarter, the Company engaged a broker to assist in evaluating the potential sale of the *Ocean Monarch*, a deepwater semisubmersible rig, which is currently cold stacked. The rig is reported as "Asset Held for Sale" on the Company's balance sheet.

Outlook

Commenting on the outlook for the offshore drilling market, Wolford concluded, "The market exhibits the characteristics underpinning the continuation of the broad based upcycle, as demonstrated by our recent fixtures for both drillships and semisubmersibles across multiple regions and tendering activity for longer term prospects. As we move through 2023 and into 2024, our EBITDA and cash flow from operations should continue to improve quarter over quarter, further strengthening Diamond's financial position."

CONFERENCE CALL

A conference call to discuss Diamond Offshore's earnings results has been scheduled for 8:00 a.m. CDT on Tuesday, May 9, 2023. A live webcast of the call will be available online on the Company's website, www.diamondoffshore.com. A copy of the slide presentation used in connection with the conference call is available on the investor relations section of the Company's website under Calendar of Events. Participants who want to join the call via telephone or want to participate in the question and answer session may register [here](#) to receive the dial-in numbers and unique PIN to access the call. An online replay will also be available on www.diamondoffshore.com following the call.

ABOUT DIAMOND OFFSHORE

Diamond Offshore is a leader in offshore drilling, providing innovation, thought leadership and contract drilling services to solve complex deepwater challenges around the globe. Additional information and access to the Company's SEC filings are available at <http://www.diamondoffshore.com/>.

FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

Statements contained in this press release and made during the referenced conference call that are not historical facts are "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. Forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, any statement that may project, indicate or imply future results, events, performance or achievements, including statements relating to future financial results; future recovery in the offshore contract drilling industry; expectations regarding the Company's plans, strategies and opportunities; expectations regarding the Company's business or financial outlook; future borrowing capacity and liquidity; expected utilization, dayrates, revenues, operating expenses, rig commitments and availability, cash flows, contract status, terms and duration, contract backlog, capital expenditures, insurance, financing and funding; the effect, impact, potential duration and other implications of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic; the offshore drilling market, including supply and demand, customer drilling programs, repricings, stacking of rigs, effects of new rigs on the market and effect of the volatility of commodity prices; expected work commitments, awards and contracts; future operations; increasing regulatory complexity; general market, business and industry conditions, trends and outlook; and general political conditions, including political tensions, conflicts and war. Forward-looking statements are inherently uncertain and subject to a variety of assumptions, risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those anticipated or expected by management of the Company. A discussion of certain of the risk factors and other considerations that could materially impact these matters as well as the Company's overall business and financial performance can be found in Item 1A "Risk Factors" in the Company's most recent annual report on Form 10-K and the Company's other reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, and readers of this press release are urged to review those reports carefully when considering these forward-looking statements. Copies of these reports are available through the Company's website at www.diamondoffshore.com. These risk factors include, among others, risks associated with worldwide demand for drilling services, levels of activity in the oil and gas industry, renewing or replacing expired or terminated contracts, contract cancellations and terminations, maintenance and realization of backlog, competition and industry fleet capacity, impairments and retirements, operating risks, litigation and disputes, permits and approvals for drilling operations, the COVID-19 pandemic and related disruptions to the global economy, supply chain and normal business operations across sectors and countries, changes in tax laws and rates, regulatory initiatives and compliance with governmental regulations, casualty losses, and various other factors, many of which are beyond the Company's control. Given these risk factors and other considerations, investors and analysts should not place undue reliance on forward-looking statements. Each forward-looking statement speaks only as of the date of this press release, and 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.

DIAMOND OFFSHORE DRILLING, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
(Unaudited)
(In thousands, except per share data)

	Three Months Ended	
	March 31, 2023	December 31, 2022
Revenues:		
Contract drilling	\$214,383	\$ 207,752
Revenues related to reimbursable expenses	17,638	15,512
Total revenues	<u>232,021</u>	<u>223,264</u>
Operating expenses:		
Contract drilling, excluding depreciation	173,490	178,363
Reimbursable expenses	17,213	15,030
Depreciation	27,906	24,764
General and administrative	19,585	17,391
Gain on disposition of assets	(1,213)	(93)
Total operating expenses	<u>236,981</u>	<u>235,455</u>
Operating loss	(4,960)	(12,191)
Other income (expense):		
Interest income	7	6
Interest expense	(12,040)	(11,631)
Foreign currency transaction loss	(1,271)	(2,738)
Other, net	(152)	(220)
Loss before income tax benefit (expense)	(18,416)	(26,774)
Income tax benefit (expense)	25,645	(25,664)
Net income (loss)	\$ 7,229	\$ (52,438)
Income (loss) per share, Basic and Diluted	\$ 0.07	\$ (0.52)
Weighted-average shares outstanding, Basic	101,331	101,170
Weighted-average shares outstanding, Diluted	103,936	101,170

DIAMOND OFFSHORE DRILLING, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS
(Unaudited)
(In thousands)

	March 31, 2023	December 31, 2022
ASSETS		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 18,552	\$ 63,041
Restricted cash	22,776	34,293
Accounts receivable, net of allowance for credit losses	182,018	172,053
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	60,633	48,695
Asset held for sale	1,000	—
Total current assets	284,979	318,082
Drilling and other property and equipment, net of accumulated depreciation	1,140,800	1,141,908
Other assets	85,350	67,966
Total assets	<u>\$ 1,511,129</u>	<u>\$ 1,527,956</u>
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Total current liabilities	\$ 259,343	\$ 261,661
Long-term debt	345,750	360,644
Noncurrent finance lease liabilities	126,983	131,393
Deferred tax liability	1,394	700
Other liabilities	86,822	93,888
Stockholders' equity	690,837	679,670
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	<u>\$ 1,511,129</u>	<u>\$ 1,527,956</u>

DIAMOND OFFSHORE DRILLING, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(Unaudited)
(In thousands)

	<u>Three Months Ended</u> <u>March 31, 2023</u>
Operating activities:	
Net loss	\$ 7,229
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash used in operating activities:	
Depreciation	27,906
Gain on disposition of assets	(1,213)
Deferred tax provision	(14,457)
Stock-based compensation expense	4,414
Contract liabilities, net	297
Contract assets, net	(270)
Deferred contract costs, net	(2,560)
Other assets, noncurrent	(400)
Other liabilities, noncurrent	1,883
Other	706
Net changes in operating working capital	(31,712)
Net cash used in operating activities	(8,177)
Investing activities:	
Capital expenditures	(29,413)
Proceeds from disposition of assets, net of disposal costs	663
Net cash used in investing activities	(28,750)
Financing activities:	
Repayment of borrowings under credit facility	(15,000)
Principal payments of finance lease liabilities	(4,079)
Net cash used in financing activities	(19,079)
Net change in cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash	(56,006)
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash, beginning of period	97,334
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash, end of period	<u>\$ 41,328</u>

DIAMOND OFFSHORE DRILLING, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
AVERAGE DAYRATE, UTILIZATION AND OPERATIONAL EFFICIENCY
(Dayrate in thousands)

TOTAL FLEET					
First Quarter 2023			Fourth Quarter 2022		
Average Dayrate (1)	Utilization (2)	Revenue Efficiency (3)	Average Dayrate (1)	Utilization (2)	Revenue Efficiency (3)
\$ 272	63%	95.9%	\$ 249	65%	96.4%

- (1) Average dayrate is defined as total contract drilling revenue for all of the rigs in our fleet (including managed rigs) per revenue-earning day. A revenue-earning day is defined as a 24-hour period during which a rig earns a dayrate after commencement of operations and excludes mobilization, demobilization and contract preparation days.
- (2) Utilization is calculated as the ratio of total revenue-earning days divided by the total calendar days in the period for all rigs in our fleet (including managed and cold-stacked rigs).
- (3) Revenue efficiency is calculated as actual contract drilling revenue earned divided by potential revenue, assuming a full dayrate is earned.

Non-GAAP Financial Measures (Unaudited)

To supplement the Company's unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements presented on a basis in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States (GAAP), this press release provides investors with adjusted earnings before interest, taxes and depreciation and amortization (or Adjusted EBITDA), which is a non-GAAP financial measure. Management believes that this measure provides meaningful information about the Company's performance by excluding certain items that may not be indicative of the Company's ongoing operating results. This allows investors and others to better compare the Company's financial results across previous and subsequent accounting periods and to those of peer companies and to better understand the long-term performance of the Company. Non-GAAP financial measures should be considered a supplement to, and not as a substitute for, or superior to, contract drilling revenue, contract drilling expense, operating income or loss, cash flows from operations or other measures of financial performance prepared in accordance with GAAP.

Reconciliation of Loss Before Income Tax Benefit (Expense) to Adjusted EBITDA:

(In thousands)

	Three Months Ended	
	March 31, 2023	December 31, 2022
As reported loss before income tax benefit (expense)	\$ (18,416)	\$ (26,774)
Interest expense	12,040	11,631
Interest income	(7)	(6)
Foreign currency transaction loss	1,271	2,738
Depreciation	27,906	24,764
Gain on disposition of assets	(1,213)	(93)
Other, net	152	220
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 21,733	\$ 12,480



Diamond Offshore Drilling, Inc.
Rig Status Report
May 9, 2023
Updated information noted in bold print

Rig Name	Water Depth¹ (feet)	Type²	Year Built³	Location	Operator	Estimated Start Date	Estimated End Date
Gulf of Mexico (GOM)							
Ocean BlackHornet	12,000	DS 15K DP	2014	US GOM	bp	Feb-2023	Feb-2025
Ocean BlackLion	12,000	DS 15K DP	2015	US GOM	bp	Sep-2022	Sep-2024
Auriga ⁴	12,000	DS 15K DP	2013	US GOM	bp	Mar-2022	Mar-2023
						Mar-2023	Mar-2024
Vela ⁴	12,000	DS 15K DP	2013	US GOM	Beacon	Jan-2023	Apr-2023
					bp	Apr-2023	Aug-2023
					Beacon	Aug-2023	1Q 2024
North Sea / Mediterranean / W. Africa							
Ocean Patriot	3,000	SS 15K	1983	UK	Apache	Jun-2021	Jul-23
					Repsol	Sep-23	4Q 2023
Ocean Endeavor	10,000	SS 15K	2007	UK	Shell	May-2019	4Q 2024
Ocean GreatWhite	10,000	SS 15K DP	2016	UK	bp	Mar-2023	1Q 2024
Ocean BlackHawk	12,000	DS 15K DP	2014	Senegal	Woodside	Jul-2022	2Q 2023
				US GOM	Anadarko Petroleum Corporation (a wholly owned subsidiary of Occidental)	4Q 2023	4Q 2024
Ocean BlackRhino	12,000	DS 15K DP	2014	Senegal	Woodside	Jul-2021	2Q 2024
Australasia							
Ocean Apex	6,000	SS 15K	2014	Australia	Woodside	Jun-2022	Apr-2023
				Australia	Woodside	3Q 2023	4Q 2023
				Australia	Chevron	4Q 2023	4Q 2023
				Australia	Inpex	1Q 2024	3Q 2024
				Australia	Santos	3Q 2024	2Q 2025
South America							
Ocean Courage	10,000	SS 15K DP	2009	Brazil	Petrobras	Jun-2021	3Q 2023
						4Q 2023	4Q 2027
Stacked							
Ocean Valiant	5,500	SS 15K	1988	UK	—	May-2020	—
Ocean Onyx	6,000	SS 15K	2014	Malaysia	—	Sep-2022	—
Ocean Monarch	10,000	SS 15K	2008	Malaysia	—	May-2022	—

NOTES

- (1) **Water Depth** refers to the rig's rated operating water depth capability. Often, rigs are capable of drilling or have drilled in greater water depths.
- (2) **Rig Type and Capabilities:** **DS**=Drillship; **15K**=15,000 PSI Well-Control System; **DP**=Dynamically Positioned Rig; **SS**=Semisubmersible
- (3) **Year Built** represents when rig was built and originally placed in service or year redelivered with significant enhancements that enabled the rig to be classified within a different floater category than when originally constructed.
- (4) Managed on behalf of Aquadrill LLC.



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