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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * HOFMANN HERBERT C

(Street)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Issuer

Symbol

DIAMOND OFFSHORE DRILLING INC [DO]

(Check all applicable)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

_X__ Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title below)

667 MADISON AVENUE 05/19/2009

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

NEW YORK, NY 10021

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivativo	e Secu	rities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) nsaction Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Ownership Beneficially Form: Owned Direct (D) Following or Indirect Reported (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	or	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	` '	
Common Stock	05/19/2009		M	500	A	\$ 58.73	500	D	
Common Stock	05/19/2009		F	391	D	\$ 75.02	109	D	
Common Stock	05/19/2009		S	109	D	\$ 77.5226	0	D	
Common Stock	05/19/2009		M	500	A	\$ 64.51	500	D	
Common Stock	05/19/2009		F	429	D	\$ 75.02	71	D	

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Common Stock 05/19/2009 S 71 D \$ 77.5226 D

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	Derivative		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Appreciation Right	\$ 58.73	05/19/2009		M		500	01/01/2009	01/01/2019	Common Stock	500
Stock Appreciation Right	\$ 64.51	05/19/2009		M		500	04/01/2009	04/01/2019	Common Stock	500

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
1	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
HOFMANN HERBERT C							
667 MADISON AVENUE	X						
NEW YORK, NY 10021							

Signatures

/s/ William C. Long Attorney-in-Fact for Herbert C.
Hofmann

05/21/2009

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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