

DIAMOND OFFSHORE DRILLING INC
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FORM 4

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 LOEWS CORP

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 DIAMOND OFFSHORE DRILLING INC [DO]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 667 MADISON AVENUE

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 03/22/2005

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

(Street)
 NEW YORK, NY 10021

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				(A) or (D)	Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price

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

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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	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)
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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8) Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date
3-1/8% Exchangeable Subord. Notes due 2007 (right to buy)	<u>(1)</u>	03/22/2005 ⁽¹⁾	<u>J</u>		1,150,000,000		<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>
3-1/8% Exchangeable Subord. Notes due 2007 (right to buy)	<u>(1)</u>	03/22/2005 ⁽¹⁾	<u>J</u>		1,150,000,000		<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
LOEWS CORP 667 MADISON AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10021		X		

Signatures

Loews Corporation By: /s/ Gary W.
Garson

03/22/2005

 **Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

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

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

(1) The 3-1/8% Exchangeable Subordinated Notes due 2007 (the "Notes") were issued by the reporting person, have a final stated maturity on September 15, 2007 and are currently redeemable at the option of the reporting person at a redemption price of 100.9375% of the principal amount pursuant to the terms of the Notes. On the transaction date, the reporting person issued an irrevocable notice to so redeem all \$1,150,000,000 principal amount of outstanding Notes on April 21, 2005. Prior to maturity or redemption, the Notes are exchangeable at the option of the Note holders for issuer common stock at the rate of 15.3757 shares per \$1,000 principal amount of Notes. Once the redemption is consummated, no Notes will remain outstanding.

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