

Transocean Ltd.  
Form 8-K  
February 03, 2011

**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): February 3, 2011**

**TRANSOCEAN LTD.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Switzerland**  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or organization)

**000-53533**  
(Commission  
File Number)

**98-0599916**  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

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**10 Chemin de Blandonnet**

**1214 Vernier, Geneva**

**Switzerland**

**(Address of principal executive offices)**

**Registrant's telephone number, including area code: +41 (22) 930-9000**

**CH-1214**

**(zip code)**

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

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 (*see* General Instruction A.2. below):

- .. Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- .. Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

**Item 8.01 Other Events.**

Transocean Ltd. today announced that it expects its fourth quarter 2010 results to include an after-tax non-cash charge of \$1.009 billion, or \$3.16 per diluted share, resulting from the impairment of the Standard Jackup fleet. The impairment is due to projected declines in dayrates and utilization, which adversely impacted this asset group, and is calculated in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. This impairment charge is based on current estimates and is subject to change. Transocean's fourth quarter and full-year 2010 results are expected to be released on February 23, 2011. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 hereto and is incorporated by reference herein.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits**

(d) Exhibits.

The exhibit to this report furnished pursuant to item 8.01 is as follows:

**Exhibit**

| <b>No.</b> | <b>Description</b>                   |
|------------|--------------------------------------|
| 99.1       | Press Release dated February 3, 2011 |

**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.

TRANSOCEAN LTD.

Date: February 3, 2011

By /s/ Eric J. Christ  
Eric J. Christ  
Authorized Person

**Index to Exhibits**

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