

GORDON BETH G  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**GORDON BETH G**

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)  
 15415 KATY FREEWAY, SUITE 100

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 04/25/2006

\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 Controller

(Street)  
 HOUSTON, TX 77094

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 \_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(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)
			Code	V	Amount or Price (A) or (D)		
Common Stock	04/25/2006		M		187 \$ 19.78	D	
Common Stock	04/25/2006		S		187 \$ 95.63	D	
Common Stock	04/25/2006		M		187 \$ 21.23	D	
Common Stock	04/25/2006		S		187 \$ 95.63	D	
Common Stock	04/25/2006		M		187 \$ 19.08	D	

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Common Stock	04/25/2006	S	187	D	\$ 95.63	0	D
Common Stock	04/25/2006	M	187	A	\$ 20.77	187	D
Common Stock	04/25/2006	S	187	D	\$ 95.63	0	D

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 (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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	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)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 19.78	04/25/2006		M	187	04/22/2004 <sup>(1)</sup> 04/22/2013	Common Stock	187
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 21.23	04/25/2006		M	187	04/22/2004 <sup>(1)</sup> 07/01/2013	Common Stock	187
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 19.08	04/25/2006		M	187	04/22/2004 <sup>(1)</sup> 10/01/2013	Common Stock	187
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 20.77	04/25/2006		M	187	04/22/2004 <sup>(1)</sup> 12/31/2013	Common Stock	187

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
GORDON BETH G 15415 KATY FREEWAY SUITE 100 HOUSTON, TX 77094			Controller	

## Signatures

/s/ William C. Long Attorney-in-Fact for Beth G. Gordon	04/27/2006
**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 options vested in three equal annual installments on April 22, 2004, April 22, 2005 and April 22, 2006.
  - (2) The options vest on April 22, 2007.

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