

Barton Laura Lionetti
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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 *
 Barton Laura Lionetti

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 ODYSSEY MARINE EXPLORATION INC [OMEX]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 5215 WEST LAUREL STREET
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 12/20/2017

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 EVP, Secretary, Corp Comm

TAMPA, FL 33607
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	12/20/2017		A		13,567	A	\$ 0
Common Stock	12/20/2017		F		3,587	D	\$ 3.85
Common Stock					3,750	I	by Husband

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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)	Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Unit (RSU)	(1)	12/20/2017		M	1,087	(2) 12/20/2018	Common Stock	1,087
Restricted Stock Unit (RSU)	(1)	12/20/2017		M	12,480	(3) 12/20/2019	Common Stock	12,480

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Barton Laura Lionetti 5215 WEST LAUREL STREET TAMPA, FL 33607			EVP, Secretary, Corp Comm	

Signatures

Laura L. Barton 12/22/2017

**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) Each Restricted Stock Unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of OMEX common stock.
- (2) Restricted Stock Units vest in three equal annual installments on December 20, 2015, 2016 and 2017.
- (3) Restricted Stock Units vest in three equal annual installments on December 20, 2016, 2017 and 2018.

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