

HERCULES OFFSHORE, INC.  
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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 \*  
WEBSTER STEVEN A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
HERCULES OFFSHORE, INC.  
[HERO]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

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

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

9 GREENWAY PLAZA, SUITE 2200

05/15/2012

(Street)

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

HOUSTON, TX 77046

(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)	Price					
				Code	V	Amount				
Common Stock, Par Value \$0.01 Per Share	05/15/2012		A	(1)	19,000	A	\$ 0	1,153,125	D	
Common Stock, Par Value \$0.01 Per Share								5,000	I	By Elizabeth Anne Webster Trust (2)
								588,767	I	

Common Stock, Par Value \$0.01 Per Share							By Kestrel Capital, LP <sup>(3)</sup>
Common Stock, Par Value \$0.01 Per Share	40,000				I		By San Felipe Resources Company <sup>(4)</sup>
Common Stock, Par Value \$0.01 Per Share	44,747				I		By Steven A. Webster, Trustee <sup>(5)</sup>

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. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 3)
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## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
WEBSTER STEVEN A 9 GREENWAY PLAZA, SUITE 2200 HOUSTON, TX 77046	X			

## Signatures

/s/ James W. Noe,  
attorney-in-fact

05/16/2012

\_\_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) These shares of restricted stock will vest on the date of the Company's 2013 Annual Meeting of Stockholders.

(2) These securities were acquired by Barrett L. Webster Trustee FBO Elizabeth Anne Webster Trust. Mr. Webster's daughter, who may be deemed to be a member of his household, is the beneficiary of such trust. The trust is administered by Mr. Webster's adult son. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of such securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purposes.

(3) Mr. Webster beneficially owns these shares of common stock indirectly through Kestrel Capital, LP, over which Mr. Webster shares voting and investment power.

(4) These securities were acquired by San Felipe Resources Company, a partnership in which Mr. Webster and his wife, Linda, are the general partners.

(5) Trustee of the Steven A. Webster Defined Benefit Pension Plan.

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