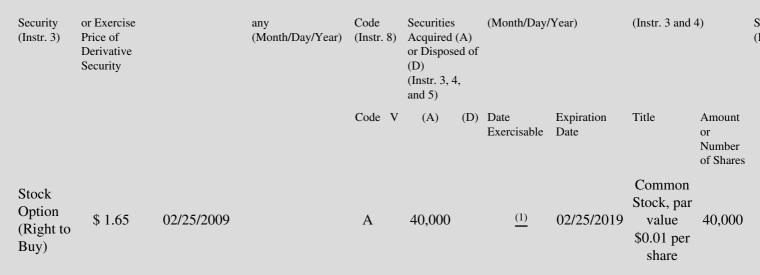
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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Carson Troy L | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol | | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer | | | |
| | | | | HERCULES OFFSHORE, INC. [HERO] | | | (Check all applicable) | | | |
| (Last) | | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) | | | Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) | | | |
| 9 GREENWAY 2200 | (PLAZA, SU | JTTE | 02/25/2 | 2009 | | | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · | p. Controller and | d PAO | |
| (Street) | | | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) | | | al | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person | | | |
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| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | Tab | ole I - Non-I | Derivative | Securities A | Acquired, Disposed | of, or Beneficia | ally Owned | |
| | ransaction Date onth/Day/Year) | Execution any | Date, if | 3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8) Code V | Disposed (Instr. 3, | (A) or of (D) | 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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
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Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|------------------------------------|-------|--|--|--|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | |
| Carson Troy L 9 GREENWAY PLAZA, SUITE 2200 HOUSTON, TX 77046 | | | VP, Corp. Controller and PAO | | | | |
| Signatures | | | | | | | |
| By: /s/ James W. Noe, attorney-in-fact | 02/27/2009 | | | | | | |
| **Signature of Reporting Person | Date | | | | | | |

Explanation of Responses:

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

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(1) The stock option will become exercisable in three equal amounts on each of the first three anniversaries of the date of grant.

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