ATWOOD OCEANICS INC Form 8-K March 09, 2004

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 EARLIEST EVENT REPORTED: February 20, 2004

ATWOOD OCEANICS, INC. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

COMMISSION FILE NUMBER 1-13167

TEXAS 74-1611874

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

15835 Park Ten Place Drive

77084

Houston, Texas

(Zip Code)

(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:

281-749-7800

N/A

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

ITEM 7. EXHIBITS

EXHIBIT 99.1 CONTRACT STATUS SUMMARY AT MARCH 9, 2004

ITEM 9. REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE

The RICHMOND has been awarded a contract by Bois D' Arc Offshore Ltd. ("Bois") to drill one well plus deepen one well and complete four wells. The rig will move to the first Bois drilling location immediately upon completing its current contract with Union Oil Company of California, which should be completed in late March 2004. The Bois drilling program should take approximately 90 days to complete and will have a dayrate of \$26,000.

Additional information with respect to the Company's Contract Status Summary at March 9, 2004 is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 which is being furnished in accordance with Rule 101(e)(1) under Regulation FD and should not be deemed to be filed.

Statements contained in this report with respect to the future are forward-looking statements. These statements reflect management's reasonable

judgment with respect to future events. Forward-looking statements involve risks and uncertainties. Actual results could differ materially from those anticipated as a result of various factors: the Company's dependence on the oil and gas industry; the risks involved in the construction of a rig; competition; operating risks; risks involved in foreign operations; risks associated with possible disruption in operations due to terrorism; risks associated with a possible disruption in operations due to war; and governmental regulations and environmental matters. A list of additional risk factors can be found in the Company's annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended September 30, 2003, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

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.

ATWOOD OCEANICS, INC. (Registrant)

/s/ James M. Holland James M. Holland Senior Vice President

DATE: March 9, 2004

EXHIBIT INDEX

EXHIBIT NO. DESCRIPTION

ATWOOD HUNTER EGYPT

99.1 Contract Status Summary at March 9, 2004

EXHIBIT 99.1

ATWOOD OCEANICS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

CONTRACT STATUS SUMMARY

AT MARCH 9, 2004

LOCATION NAME OF RIG CUSTOMER CONTR SEMISUBMERSIBLES -ATWOOD FALCON JAPAN JAPAN ENERGY DEVELOPMENT The rig has commenced dri CO. LTD. ("JED") drilling program for JED. should be complete in Apr completing the JED contra China to drill one well f Additional work is curren Southeast Asia to follow

BURULLUS GAS CO.

("BURULLUS")

On December 31, 2003, the program for Burullus whice plus options to drill six drilling of the ten firm around 400 days to comple

wells are drilled, the coapproximately 550 days.

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ATWOOD EAGLE	AUSTRALIA	BHP BILLITON PETROLEUM PTY. LTD. ("BHP") AND APACHE ENERGY LIMITED ("APACHE")	The rig has completed its and is preparing to comme BHP and Apache, which incoptions to drill an addit of the three firm wells i four months to complete.
SEAHAWK	MALAYSIA	EXXONMOBIL EXPLORATION & PRODUCTION MALAYSIA INC. ("EMEPMI")	EMEPMI has given written terminate the current con in progress on June 29, 2 pursued in Southeast Asia the world.
ATWOOD SOUTHERN CROSS	MALAYSIA	MURPHY SARAWAK OIL COMPANY, LTD. ("MURPHY")	The rig is preparing to c program which includes th plus options to drill an Drilling of the two firm to 60 days to complete an drilled, the drilling pro
SEASCOUT	UNITED STATES GULF OF MEXICO		150 to 180 days. The SEASCOUT was purchase conversion to a tender-as SEAHAWK. There are curre is currently coldstacked.
CANTILEVER JACK-UPS - VICKSBURG	MALAYSIA	EXXONMOBIL EXPLORATION & PRODUCTION MALAYSIA INC. ("EMEPMI")	In October 2002, the rig program (with an option by year), with EMEPMI having drilling program after on completion date of the cu 15, 2004.
ATWOOD BEACON	MALAYSIA	PETRONAS CARIGALI SDN. BHD. ("PETRONAS")	The rig is preparing to dwells for Petronas. This to take until late June 2 opportunities for additio of the Petronas contract as well as other areas ou
SUBMERSIBLE - RICHMOND	UNITED STATES GULF OF MEXICO	UNION OIL COMPANY OF CALIFORNIA ("UNOCAL")	The rig is expected to co with UNOCAL in late March completion of the contrac drilling program for Bois is expected to take appro
MODULAR PLATFORMS - GOODWYN 'A' /NORTH RANKIN 'A'	AUSTRALIA	WOODSIDE ENERGY LTD.	There is currently an ind drilling activity for the managed by the Company. maintenance of the two ri

programs.