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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: August 4, 2004

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

COMMISSION FILE NUMBER 1-13167

Internal Revenue Service - Employer Identification No. 74-1611874

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EXHIBIT 99. CONTRACT STATUS SUMMARY AT AUGUST 4, 2004

ITEM 9. REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE

Murphy Sarawak Oil Company, Ltd. ("Murphy") has exercised the second of

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their four options which now results in the Murphy drilling program for the ATWOOD SOUTHERN CROSS being the drilling of four firm wells with options to drill two additional wells. The rig has commenced drilling of the third of the now four firm wells, with a dayrate of \$40,000 for these two remaining wells. Taking into account the two remaining firm wells, the drilling program could extend into October 2004. Immediately upon completion of its current drilling program, the rig will commence its contract with Daewoo International Corporation involving two firm wells and an option for an additional well offshore Myanmar.

Sarawak Shell Berhad ("Shell") has exercised the first of their three options which now results in the Shell drilling program for the ATWOOD FALCON including three firm wells with options to drill two additional wells. If no additional options are exercised, the Shell drilling program is anticipated to extend into January 2004.

Additional information with respect to the Company's Contract Status Summary at August 4, 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

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EXHIBIT NO. IPTION
 99.1 Contract Status Summary at August 4, 2004

EXHIBIT 99.1
 ATWOOD OCEANICS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
 CONTRACT STATUS SUMMARY
 AT AUGUST 4, 2004

NAME OF RIG -----	LOCATION -----	CUSTOMER -----	CONTRACT STATUS -----
SEMISUBMERSIBLES - -----			
ATWOOD FALCON	MALAYSIA	SARAWAK SHELL BERHAD ("SHELL")	The rig has commenced work which now involves the drilling of two firm wells with options to drill two more wells currently anticipated to be drilled.
ATWOOD HUNTER	EGYPT	BURULLUS GAS CO. ("BURULLUS")	On December 31, 2003, the program for Burullus which includes plus options to drill six more wells. Drilling of the ten firm wells around 400 days to complete. If the remaining wells are drilled, the contract will be completed approximately 550 days.
ATWOOD EAGLE	AUSTRALIA	BHP BILLITON PETROLEUM PTY. LTD. ("BHP")	The rig has commenced drilling of two firm wells. BHP has an option to drill two more wells. The rig commencing its drilling program in January 2004. Energy, LTD. ("Woodside") not drilled, the current program should be completed at the end of the year. If the rig then commencing its drilling program, the option well drilling program should be completed. BHP has been granted three additional wells which can only be drilled after the current program is completed. The contract and are subject to BHP's drilling timing. In the event that the current program is further extended, BHP has the right to drill both firm wells before Woodside has the right to drill the first firm well.
SEAHAWK	MALAYSIA	EXXONMOBIL EXPLORATION & PRODUCTION MALAYSIA	EMEPMI has given written notice to terminate the current contract.

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		INC. ("EMEPMI")	in progress on October 1, being pursued in Southeast of the world.
ATWOOD SOUTHERN CROSS	MALAYSIA	MURPHY SARAWAK OIL COMPANY, LTD. ("MURPHY")	In March 2004, the rig conversion program which now includes wells plus options to drill. The rig has been awarded to International Corporation wells plus an option to drill offshore Myanmar. The rig is immediately after completion of drilling of the two firm wells to 80 days to complete.
SEASCOUT	UNITED STATES GULF OF MEXICO		The SEASCOUT was purchased for conversion to a tender-assessment rig SEAHAWK. There are currently no other rig is currently coldstacked.
CANTILEVER JACK-UPS - ----- VICKSBURG	THAILAND	CHEVRON OFFSHORE (THAILAND) LIMITED ("CHEVRON")	In May 2004 the rig's conversion Exploration & Production program was suspended and the rig moved to drilling program for Chevron expected to take approximately complete, at which time, Malaysia whereby EMEPMI was contract. Upon reinstatement commitment will include the suspension period plus an for a total of seventeen 2004. Once EMEPMI recommence retain its right to terminate providing 120 days notice.
ATWOOD BEACON	PREPARING TO BE MOVED TO A SHIPYARD IN SINGAPORE		The ATWOOD BEACON has installed legs and the derrick as a July 25, 2004, while positioned well in Indonesia. The rig is subject to further analysis to remove the legs on location and the legs to the build for inspection and repair unable to determine the time. The current contract for 90 days remaining in its term the status of the contract. However, until the repair is defined, the Company is under contract plans and market rig.
SUBMERSIBLE - RICHMOND	UNITED STATES GULF OF MEXICO	APPLIED DRILLING TECHNOLOGY INC. ("ADTI")	The rig is currently drilling which was assigned from Helis ("Helis"). Upon completion have two firm wells to drill having options to drill for drilling of the remaining take 90 to 120 days to complete wells are drilled, the conversion

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200 to 270 days.

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.