ATWOOD OCEANICS INC

Form 4 March 27, 2006

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * KELLEY GLEN P		Sy	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ATWOOD OCEANICS INC [ATW]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last)	(First) (N	(M	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/24/2006				(Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Senior Vice President				
	(Street)	Fil	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Report _ Form filed by More than Operson					One Reporting Per	rson		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table	I - Non-D	erivative S	Securi	ties Acqu	ired, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Da any (Month/Day/	ate, if /Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securitin(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4)	sposed	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)	
Common Stock	03/24/2006	03/24/2006		M	8,000	A	\$ 48.75	3,300 (1)	D		
Common Stock	03/24/2006	03/24/2006	6	M	2,000	A	\$ 17.5	3,300 (1)	D		
Common Stock	03/24/2006	03/24/2006	6	M	10,000	D	\$ 97.85	3,300 (1)	D		

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)	Code	Transaction Derivative		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Nonqualified Stock Options	\$ 48.75	03/24/2006	03/24/2006	M	8,000	(3)	12/03/2007	Common Stock	8,000	
Nonqualified Stock Option	\$ 17.5	03/24/2006	03/24/2006	M	2,000	<u>(4)</u>	09/02/2008	Common Stock	2,000	

Reporting Owners

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

KELLEY GLEN P

Senior Vice President

Signatures

Glen P Kelley 03/27/2006

**Signature of Person Date

**Beginstein Person

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) Represents the total number of shares of Common Stock held by the reporting person subsequent to the transactions reported hereby.
- (2) Represents the total number of Nonqualified Stock Options held by the reporting person with the same exercise price, exercised date, and expiration date, subsequent to the transaction reported hereby.
- (3) These options were granted on December 4, 1997 and vested 25% per year commencing at the end of the year two, with full vesting on December 3, 2007.
- (4) These options were granted on September 3, 1998 and vested 25% per year commencing at the end of year two, with full vesting on September 2, 2008.

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