BECK DEBORAH A

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * BECK DEBORAH A			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer				
			ATWOOD OCEANICS INC [ATW]					(Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction								
(Mon			(Month/Da	(Month/Day/Year)				_X_ Director		6 Owner	
P O BOX 21	12/07/2006					Officer (give title Other (specibelow)					
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
File				Filed(Month/Day/Year)				Applicable Line)			
HOUSTON,	` '					_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table	I - Non-Do	erivative S	Securi	ties Ac	quired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned	
1.Title of	2. Transaction D	ate 2A. De	emed	3.	4. Securi	ties		5. Amount of	6. Ownership	7. Nature of	
Security	(Month/Day/Yea	ar) Execut	ion Date, if	Transactio	onAcquired	(A) c	r	Securities	Form: Direct	Indirect	
(Instr. 3) any			Code Disposed of (D)				Beneficially (D) or Beneficia				
		(Month	/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership		
								Following Reported	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)	
						(A)		Transaction(s)			
				G 1 W		or	ъ.	(Instr. 3 and 4)			
C				Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	,			
Common Stock	12/07/2006			A	800	A	<u>(1)</u>	2,244	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)

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1. Title of Derivative	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		4. Transactio	5. orNumber	6. Date Exercisal Expiration Date		7. Title and Amount of	8. Price of Derivative	9. Nu Deriv
Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month Day/ Teal)	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day/Yea e	ar)	Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	Security (Instr. 5)	Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Ex Exercisable Da	•	Title Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
1 8	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
BECK DEBORAH A P O BOX 218350 HOUSTON, TX 77218	X						

Signatures

Deborah A Beck 12/08/2006

**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).

These shares of common stock were granted as Restricted Stock Awards under the Atwood Oceanics, Inc. 2001 Stock Incentive Plan.

(1) One hundred percent (100%) of the restricted stock awards vest at date of grant; however, the stock certificate includes a three (3) year restriction on selling these shares.

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