DOTSON GEORGE S

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and A DOTSON G	erson * 2. Issuer Symbol	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) (M	iddle) 3. Date of	3. Date of Earliest Transaction						
(I			(Month/Day/Year)			_X_ Director		6 Owner	
1918 EAST	12/10/20	12/10/2012				ve titleOth below)	er (specify		
(Street) 4.			4. If Amendment, Date Original			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
File			Filed(Month/Day/Year)				Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person		
TULSA, OK					Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City)	(State)	Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-D	erivative S	ecurities A	cquired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned	
1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securit	ies Acquire	d 5. Amount of	6. Ownership	7. Nature of	
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transaction	on(A) or Dis	sposed of	Securities	Indirect		
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	(D)		Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial	
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership	
						Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)	
					(A)	Reported Transaction(s)			
					or	(Instr. 3 and 4)			
			Code V	Amount	(D) Prio	e (mstr. 5 tild 4)			
Common Stock	12/10/2012		G	20,000	D \$0	28,090	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)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if	4. Transact	5. orNumber	6. Date Exerc Expiration D		7. Titl Amou		8. Price of Derivative	9. Nu Deriv
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Under	lying	Security	Secui
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivativ	/e		Securi	ities	(Instr. 5)	Bene
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					4, and 5)						
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				Code V	(A) (D)		Expiration	Title			
						Exercisable	Date		or		
									Number		
									of		
									Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
DOTSON GEORGE S							
1918 EAST 30TH PL	X						
TULSA, OK 74114							

Signatures

/s/ George S. Dotson, Walter A. Baker By Power of Attorney

01/04/2013

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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