Independence Contract Drilling, Inc.

Form 4

August 15, 2014

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section

may continue. See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

BATES THOMAS R JR

(Last) (First)

(Middle)

11601 NORTH GALAYDA STREET

HOUSTON, TX 77086

Common

Stock

(Street)

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Month/Day/Year)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

3.

08/13/2014

Independence Contract Drilling, Inc.

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

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Issuer

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X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3)

08/13/2014

(Month/Day/Year)

Symbol

[ICD]

Code (D) (Instr. 8)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of Transaction(A) or Disposed of

Securities Beneficially Owned Following

(D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)

D

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4)

Price (D)

Code V Amount 10,000 P A

(1)

\$ 11 17,850

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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									Number		
									of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BATES THOMAS R JR 11601 NORTH GALAYDA STREET X HOUSTON, TX 77086

Signatures

/s/ Philip A. Choyce, as Attorney-in-Fact 08/15/2014

**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).
- (1) Shares of common stock purchased as part of the directed share program administered in connection with Independence Contract Drilling, Inc.'s initial public offering, which was completed on August 13, 2014.

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