

PARKER DRILLING CO /DE/  
Form 8-K  
May 31, 2016

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 report (Date of earliest event reported): May 26, 2016

PARKER DRILLING COMPANY  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware  
(State or other jurisdiction of 73-0618660  
incorporation or organization) (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

5 Greenway Plaza, Suite 100, Houston, Texas 77046

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code)

(281) 406-2000

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable

(Former Address if Changed Since Last Report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure

On May 26, 2016 Parker Drilling Company (the “Registrant”) announced an extension of its operations and maintenance (O&M) contract on Sakhalin Island, Russia. The contract term was extended through June 2019 and also covers a newly-constructed customer-owned extended-reach drilling (ERD) rig. The extension, inclusive of the additional rig, brings the company's operations on Sakhalin Island to a total of five rigs.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits.

The following exhibit is furnished herewith:

99.1 Press release dated May 26, 2016, issued by the Registrant

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.

Parker Drilling  
Company

/s/

Date: May 31, 2016 By: Christopher  
T. Weber  
Christopher  
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Senior Vice  
President  
and Chief  
Financial  
Officer