

ATWOOD OCEANICS INC

Form 4

December 08, 2008

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
KELLEY GLEN P

(Last) (First) (Middle)

15835 PARK TEN PLACE DRIVE

(Street)

HOUSTON, TX 77084

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
ATWOOD OCEANICS INC [ATW]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
12/04/2008

4. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

Senior Vice President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
____X____ Form filed by One Reporting Person
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Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	12/04/2008		A		6,700	A	<u>11</u> 35,672 ⁽²⁾

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 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)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares
Nonqualified Stock Options	\$ 14.65	12/04/2008		A	14,300	(3) 12/03/2018	Common Stock	14,300

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
KELLEY GLEN P 15835 PARK TEN PLACE DRIVE HOUSTON, TX 77084			Senior Vice President	

Signatures

Glen P. Kelley 12/08/2008

Signature of
Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

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(1) These shares of common stock were granted as Restricted Stock Awards under the Atwood Oceanics, Inc. 2007 Long-Term Incentive Plan. One hundred percent (100%) of the restricted stock awards at the end of three (3) years.

(2) Total reflects increase adjustment of 14,485 shares for 100% stock dividend declared in June 2008.

(3) These Nonqualified Stock Options were granted under the Atwood Oceanics, Inc. 2007 Long-Term Incentive Plan. Twenty-five percent (25%) of such options become exercisable at the end of one year, two years, three years and four years, respectively from the date of grant.

(4) Total reflects increase adjustment of 45,776 shares for 100% stock dividend declared in June 2008.

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