

ATWOOD OCEANICS INC  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Presley Randal Floyd

(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 below) \_\_\_X\_ Other (specify below)  
Vice President / Administrative Services

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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**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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price
Common Stock	12/04/2008		A		3,200	A	(1) 13,792 (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	6,900	(3) 12/03/2018	Common Stock	6,900

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Presley Randal Floyd 15835 PARK TEN PLACE DRIVE HOUSTON, TX 77084			Vice President	Administrative Services

## Signatures

Randal F. Presley 12/08/2008

\*\*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) 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 5,296 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 17,707 shares for 100% stock dividend declared in June 2008.

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