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July 27, 2004

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

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Persuant to Section 13 OR 15(d) of The Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) July 27, 2004

TODCO

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

1-31983

76-0544217

(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

(Commission  
File Number)

(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

2000 W. Sam Houston Parkway South, Suite 800, Houston, Texas

77042-3615

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (713) 278-6000

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

ITEM 7. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, PRO FORMA FINANCIAL INFORMATION AND EXHIBITS

(c) Exhibits.

Exhibit number

Description

99.1

Monthly Rig Status Report as of July 27, 2004

ITEM 9. REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE

The Registrant hereby incorporates by reference into this Item 9 the monthly rig status report, as of July 27, 2004, of the Registrant attached as Exhibit 99.1 which is being furnished in accordance with Rule 101(e) (1) under Regulation FD and shall not be deemed to be filed.

Statements in this report that contain "forward-looking statements" within

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the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, include, but are not limited to, statements regarding the current term, start and end dates and comments concerning future contracts and availability and other aspects of the Registrant's drilling rigs. Such statements are inherently subject to a variety of risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those anticipated or projected. A discussion of the risk factors that could impact these areas and the Registrant's overall business and financial performance can be found in the Registrant's reports and other documents filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission. These factors include, among others, early termination by the customer pursuant to the contract or otherwise, cancellation or completion of certain contracts or projects earlier than expected, operating hazards, general economic and business conditions, casualty losses, industry fleet capacity, changes in foreign and domestic oil and gas exploration and production activity, competition, changes in foreign, political, social and economic conditions, regulatory initiatives and compliance with governmental regulations, customer preferences and various other matters, many of which are beyond the registrant's control. Given these concerns, investors and analysts should not place undue reliance on forward-looking statements. Each forward-looking statement speaks only as of the date of the rig status report, and the Registrant undertakes no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statement.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

TODCO

By: /s/ T. Scott O'Keefe  
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T. Scott O'Keefe  
Senior Vice President &  
Chief Financial Officer

Dated: July 27, 2004

EXHIBIT INDEX

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