

ATWOOD OCEANICS INC  
Form 8-K  
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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 EARLIEST EVENT REPORTED: February 2, 2011

ATWOOD OCEANICS, INC.  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

TEXAS  
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

COMMISSION FILE NUMBER 1-13167

Internal Revenue Service – Employer Identification No. 74-1611874

15835 Park Ten Place Drive  
Houston, Texas, 77084  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(281) 749-7800  
(Registrant's Telephone Number,  
Including Area Code)

N/A  
(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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ITEM 2.02

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS AND FINANCIAL CONDITION

On February 2, 2011, the Company announced its earnings for the fiscal year 2011 first quarter ended December 31, 2010. A copy of the press release summarizing these earnings is filed with this Form 8-K as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

Additional information with respect to the Company's consolidated statements of operations for the three months ended December 31, 2010 and 2009, an analysis of revenues and contract drilling costs for the three months ended December 31, 2010 and condensed consolidated balance sheets at December 31, 2010 and September 30, 2010 are attached hereto as Exhibits 99.2, 99.3, and 99.4 respectively, which are being furnished; however, should not be deemed to be filed under Section 18 of the Exchange Act.

Statements contained in this report with respect to the future are forward-looking statements. These statements reflect management's reasonable judgment with respect to future events. Forward-looking statements involve risks and uncertainties. Actual results could differ materially from those anticipated as a result of various factors including the Company's dependence on the oil and gas industry; the risks involved in the construction of a rig and commencement of operations of the rig following delivery; competition; operating risks; risks involved in foreign operations; risks associated with possible disruption in operations due to terrorism, acts of piracy, embargoes, war or other military operations; and governmental and industry regulations and environmental matters. A list of additional risk factors can be found in the Company's annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended September 30, 2010, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

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ITEM 9.01                    EXHIBITS

EXHIBIT 99.1    PRESS RELEASE DATED FEBRUARY 2, 2011

EXHIBIT 99.2    CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS FOR THE THREE MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2010 AND 2009

EXHIBIT 99.3    ANALYSIS OF REVENUES AND DRILLING COSTS FOR THE THREE MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2010

EXHIBIT 99.4    CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS AT DECEMBER 31, 2010 AND SEPTEMBER 30, 2010

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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.

ATWOOD OCEANICS, INC.  
(Registrant)

/s/ Mark L. Mey  
Mark L. Mey  
Senior Vice President

DATE: February 2, 2011

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EXHIBIT INDEX

EXHIBIT NO.	DESCRIPTION
99.1	Press Release dated February 2, 2011
99.2	Consolidated Statements of Operations for the Three Months ended December 31, 2010 and 2009
99.3	Analysis of Revenues and Drilling Costs for the Three Months ended December 31, 2010
99.4	Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets at December 31, 2010 and September 30, 2010

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