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#### FORM 3

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person \* Statement ATWOOD OCEANICS INC [ATW] Wagner Geoffrey C. (Month/Day/Year) 10/01/2012 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 15835 PARK TEN PLACE (Check all applicable) **DRIVE** (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group 10% Owner Director \_X\_\_ Officer Other Filing(Check Applicable Line) (give title below) (specify below) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting VP, Marketing & Bus. Dev. Person HOUSTON, TXÂ 77084 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) Â Atwood Oceanics, Inc. Common Stock 11,540 D Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

3. Title and Amount of 1. Title of Derivative Security 5. 6. Nature of Indirect 2. Date Exercisable and (Instr. 4) **Expiration Date** Securities Underlying Conversion Ownership Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) **Derivative Security** or Exercise Form of Ownership (Instr. 4) Price of Derivative (Instr. 5) Derivative Security: Title Direct (D) Security

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date		Amount or Number of Shares		or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Nonqualified Stock Options	(1)	12/09/2020	Atwood Oceanics, Inc. Common Stock	4,752	\$ 37.41	D	Â
Nonqualified Stock Options	(1)	12/09/2021	Atwood Oceanics, Inc. Common Stock	4,476	\$ 41.6	D	Â

### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Wagner Geoffrey C. 15835 PARK TEN PLACE DRIVE HOUSTON, TX 77084	Â	Â	VP, Marketing & Bus, Dev.	Â		

## **Signatures**

/s/ Geoffrey Wagner, Walter A. Baker By Power of Attorney

10/02/2012

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Date

### **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(b)(v).
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These options were granted for a term of ten (10) years pursuant to the Atwood Oceanics, Inc. 2007 Plan with twenty-five percent (25%) (1) of such options becoming exercisable at each of one (1) year, two (2) years, three (3) years and four (4) years respectively from the date of grant.

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