

MacConnel Melinda Joy
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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 *
 MacConnel Melinda Joy

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 ODYSSEY MARINE
 EXPLORATION INC [OMEX]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 5215 WEST LAUREL
 STREET, 2ND FLOOR
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 12/26/2012

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 EVP/General Counsel/Secretary

TAMPA, FL 33607

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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(City) (State) (Zip)

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) | | 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 or Price | | | |
| Common Stock | 12/26/2012 | | A | | 7,032 | \$ 0 | 78,743 | D |
| Common Stock | 12/26/2012 | | F(1) | | 1,860 | \$ 2.89 | 76,883 | D |
| Common Stock | 12/26/2012 | | A | | 9,649 | \$ 0 | 86,532 | D |
| Common Stock | 12/26/2012 | | F(1) | | 2,552 | \$ 2.89 | 83,980 | D |

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)

| 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) | 8. Price or Value of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|---|
| Restricted Stock Units | (2) | 12/26/2012 | | M | 7,032 | (3) (3) | Common Stock | 7,032 |
| Restricted Stock Units | (2) | 12/26/2012 | | M | 9,649 | (4) (4) | Common Stock | 9,649 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|-------------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| MacConnel Melinda Joy 5215 WEST LAUREL STREET 2ND FLOOR TAMPA, FL 33607 | | | EVP/General Counsel/Secretary | |

Signatures

/s/ Melinda Joy
MacConnel

12/28/2012

**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) Shares delivered to the Issuer to satisfy tax liability obligations in accordance with Rule 16b-3.
- (2) Each Restricted Stock Unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of OMEX common stock.

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- (3) Restricted Stock Units vest in two annual installments on 12/26/2011 and 12/26/2012.
- (4) Restricted Stock Units vest in two annual installments on 12/26/2012 and 12/26/2013.

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