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ATWOOD OCEANICS INC
Form 8-K
January 29, 2004

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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: January 29, 2004

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

COMMISSION FILE NUMBER 1-13167

TEXAS
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

74-1611874
(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

15835 Park Ten Place Drive
Houston, Texas
(Address of principal executive offices)

77084
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:
281-749-7800
N/A

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)
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ITEM 7. EXHIBITS

- EXHIBIT 99.1 PRESS RELEASE DATED JANUARY 29, 2004
- EXHIBIT 99.2 CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS FOR THE THREE MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2003 AND 2002
- EXHIBIT 99.3 ANALYSIS OF CONTRACT REVENUES AND DRILLING COSTS FOR THE QUARTER ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2003
- EXHIBIT 99.4 CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS AT DECEMBER 31, 2003 AND SEPTEMBER 30, 2003
- EXHIBIT 99.5 CONTRACT STATUS SUMMARY AT JANUARY 29, 2004

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ITEM 9. REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE

On January 29, 2004, the Company announced its earnings for the Fiscal Year 2004 First Quarter ended December 31, 2003. 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.

The ATWOOD EAGLE is being mobilized to Australia, with estimated arrival around February 15, 2004. The rig should commence its drilling program in Australia around March 1, 2004.

The ATWOOD FALCON has commenced its drilling program in Japan for Japan Energy Development Co. This drilling program is expected to take approximately 100 to 120 days to complete.

Additional information with respect to the Company's Consolidated Statements of Operations for the three months ended December 31, 2003 and 2002, an analysis of Contract Revenues and Drilling Costs for the quarter ended December 31, 2003, Consolidated Balance Sheets at December 31, 2003 and September 30, 2003 and Contract Status Summary at January 29, 2004 are attached hereto as Exhibits 99.2, 99.3, 99.4 and 99.5, respectively, which are being furnished in accordance with rule 101 (e) (1) under Regulation FD and should not be deemed to be filed.

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; the Company's dependence on the oil and gas industry; the risks involved the construction of a rig; competition; operating risks; risks involved in foreign operations; risks associated with possible disruption in operations due to terrorism; risks associated with a possible disruption in operations due to a war with Iraq; and governmental regulations and environmental matters. A list of additional risk factors can be found in the Company' annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended September 30, 2003, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

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/ James M. Holland
James M. Holland

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Senior Vice President

DATE: January 29, 2004

EXHIBIT INDEX

EXHIBIT NO. -----	DESCRIPTION -----
99.1	Press Release dated January 29, 2004
99.2	Consolidated Statements of Operations for the Three Months ended December 31, 2003 and 2002
99.3	Analysis of Contract Revenues and Drilling Costs for the quarter ended December 31, 2003
99.4	Consolidated Balance Sheets at December 31, 2003 and September 30, 2003
99.5	Contract Status Summary at January 29, 2004

EXHIBIT 99.1

Houston, Texas
29 January 2004

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Atwood Oceanics, Inc., Houston-based international drilling contractor, announced today it incurred a net loss of \$(1,904,000) or \$(.14) per diluted share, on contract revenues of \$35,325,000 for the quarter ended December 31, 2003, compared to net income of \$950,000 or \$.07 per diluted share on contract revenues of \$29,841,000 for the quarter ended December 31, 2002.

	FOR THE THREE MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2003	2002
	-----	-----
Contract Revenues	\$35,325,000	\$29,841,000
	=====	=====
Income (Loss) before Income Taxes	(64,000)	2,374,000
Provision for Income Taxes	(1,840,000)	(1,424,000)
	-----	-----
Net Income (Loss)	(1,904,000)	950,000
	=====	=====
Earnings (Loss) per Common Share -		
Basic	(.14)	.07
Diluted	(.14)	.07

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Weighted Average Shares

Outstanding -

Basic	13,852,000	13,845,000
Diluted	13,852,000	13,912,000

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EXHIBIT 99.2

ATWOOD OCEANICS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
(In thousands, except per share amounts)

	Three Months Ended December 31,	
	2003	2002
	(Unaudited)	
REVENUES:		
Contract drilling	\$35,325	\$29,841
COSTS AND EXPENSES:		
Contract drilling	22,533	19,345
Depreciation	7,842	5,392
General and administrative	2,688	2,680
	33,063	27,417
OPERATING INCOME	2,262	2,424
OTHER INCOME (EXPENSE)		
Interest expense	(2,334)	(113)
Interest income	8	63
	(2,326)	(50)
INCOME (LOSS) BEFORE INCOME TAXES	(64)	2,374
PROVISION FOR INCOME TAXES	1,840	1,424
NET INCOME (LOSS)	\$ (1,904)	\$ 950
EARNINGS (LOSS) PER COMMON SHARE:		
Basic	\$ (.14)	\$.07

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	Diluted	(.14)	.07
AVERAGE COMMON SHARES OUTSTANDING:			
	Basic	13,852	13,845
	Diluted	13,852	13,912

EXHIBIT 99.3

ATWOOD OCEANICS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
ANALYSIS OF CONTRACT REVENUES
AND DRILLING COSTS
FOR THE QUARTER ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2003
(Unaudited)

	CONTRACT DRILLING REVENUES	CONTRACT DRILLING COSTS
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	(In Millions)	
ATWOOD FALCON	\$ 6.0	\$ 2.4
VICKSBURG	5.8	2.2
SEAHAWK	5.2	2.1
ATWOOD EAGLE	4.7	3.8
ATWOOD BEACON	4.3	2.2
ATWOOD SOUTHERN CROSS	3.9	4.4
ATWOOD HUNTER	2.7	2.9
RICHMOND	2.2	1.9
OTHER	0.5	0.6
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	\$35.3	\$22.5
	=====	=====

EXHIBIT 99.4

ATWOOD OCEANICS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS
(In thousands)

	DEC. 31, 2003	SEP. 30,
		(Unaudited)
ASSETS		
CURRENT ASSETS:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$19,253	\$21

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Accounts receivable	20,779	30
Income tax receivable	3,278	3
Inventories of materials and supplies at lower of average cost or market	12,076	12
Deferred tax assets	550	
Prepaid expenses and other	6,410	7
	-----	-----
Total Current Assets	62,346	76
	-----	-----
PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT:		
Drilling vessels, equipment and drill pipe	629,796	629
Other	9,079	9
	-----	-----
	638,875	638
Less-accumulated depreciation	202,974	195
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Net Property and Equipment	435,901	443
	-----	-----
DEFERRED COSTS AND OTHER ASSETS	3,761	3
	-----	-----
	\$502,008	\$522
	=====	=====
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY		
CURRENT LIABILITIES:		
Current maturities of notes payable	\$27,000	\$24
Accounts payable	3,747	10
Accrued liabilities	8,530	8
Deferred Credits	1,500	6
	-----	-----
Total Current Liabilities	40,777	49
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LONG-TERM NOTES PAYABLE, net of current maturities:	172,000	181
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	172,000	181
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OTHER LONG TERM LIABILITIES		
Deferred income taxes	20,618	21
Deferred credits and other	7,041	7
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	27,659	28
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SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY:		
Preferred stock, no par value; 1,000,000 shares authorized, none outstanding	0	
Common stock, \$1 par value, 20,000,000 shares authorized with 13,852,000 issued and outstanding	13,852	13
Paid-in capital	57,412	57
Retained earnings	190,308	192

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Total Shareholders' Equity	----- 261,572 -----	----- 263 -----
	\$502,008 =====	\$522 =====

EXHIBIT 99.5
ATWOOD OCEANICS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONTRACT STATUS SUMMARY
AT JANUARY 29, 2004

NAME OF RIG ----- SEMISUBMERSIBLES - -----	LOCATION -----	CUSTOMER -----	CONTRACT STATUS -----
ATWOOD FALCON	JAPAN	JAPAN ENERGY DEVELOPMENT CO. LTD. ("JED")	In January 2004, the rig drilling program for JED. estimated to take approxi complete. Immediately up contract, the rig will be well for Husky Oil China
ATWOOD HUNTER	EGYPT	BURULLUS GAS CO. ("BURULLUS")	On December 31, 2003 the program for Burullus which plus options to drill six drilling of the ten firm around 400 days to comple wells are drilled, the co approximately 550 days.
ATWOOD EAGLE	MOBILIZING TO AUSTRALIA	BHP BILLITON PETROLEUM PTY. LTD. ("BHP") AND APACHE ENERGY LIMITED ("APACHE")	The rig is currently bein with anticipated arrival The Company has commitmen drill three firm wells pl additional four wells. D wells (expected to commen expected to take three to Drilling contracts with B formalized in early Febru
SEAHAWK	MALAYSIA	EXXONMOBIL EXPLORATION & PRODUCTION MALAYSIA INC. ("EMEPMI")	The rig's current contrac 2004, with an option for EMEPMI has the right to t the completion of the fir extension period (which c with 120 days written not
ATWOOD SOUTHERN CROSS	INDIA		The rig is currently idle its next contract opportu for additional work are b

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SEASCOUT	UNITED STATES GULF OF MEXICO		Malaysia and other areas The SEASCOUT was purchase conversion to a tender-as SEAHAWK, once an acceptab secured. The rig is curre
CANTILEVER JACK-UPS - ----- VICKSBURG	MALAYSIA	EXXONMOBIL EXPLORATION & PRODUCTION MALAYSIA INC. ("EMEPMI")	In October 2002, the rig program (with an option b year), with EMEPMI having drilling program after on completion date of the cu 1, 2004.
ATWOOD BEACON	MALAYSIA	PETRONAS CARIGALI SDN. BHD. ("PETRONAS")	In early August 2003, the a contract with Murphy Sa ("Murphy") which provide firm wells plus options t off the coast of Malaysia option to extend the cont wells and then assigned f Petronas. Petronas has a wells for a current total drilled. Petronas is pres well. Drilling of the ei until June/July 2004. Co additional work following contract are being pursue other areas outside of Ma
SUBMERSIBLE - ----- RICHMOND	UNITED STATES GULF OF MEXICO	UNION OIL COMPANY OF CALIFORNIA ("UNOCAL")	In September 2003, the ri one option well contract exercised the option well the rig two more firm wel five wells to be drilled drilling of the five well around March/April 2004.
MODULAR PLATFORMS - ----- GOODWYN 'A' /NORTH RANKIN 'A'	AUSTRALIA	WOODSIDE ENERGY LTD.	There is currently an ind drilling activity for the managed by the Company. maintenance of the two ri programs.