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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 *
 Smith Barry Michael

(Last) (First) (Middle)

15011 KATY FREEWAY SUITE
 800

(Street)

HOUSTON, TX 77094

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

ATWOOD OCEANICS INC [ATW]

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

10/06/2017

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)

Sr. VP - Technical Services

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

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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) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 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 | (A) or (D) | Price |
| Atwood Oceanics, Inc. Common Stock | 10/06/2017 | | D | | 28,128 | D | 0 |

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 Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable Expiration Date | Title |
| Performance-Based Restricted Stock Units | (2) | 10/06/2017 | | D | 73,180 | (2) (2) | Atwood Oceanics, Inc. Common Stock |
| Restricted Stock Units | (3) | 10/06/2017 | | D | 118,636 | (3) (3) | Atwood Oceanics, Inc. Common Stock |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|-----------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Smith Barry Michael 15011 KATY FREEWAY SUITE 800 HOUSTON, TX 77094 | | | Sr. VP - Technical Services | |

Signatures

/s/ Barry Smith, Walter A. Baker By Power of Attorney
 10/06/2017
 **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).
- On May 29, 2017, the Issuer entered into an Agreement and Plan of Merger with Ensco PLC ("Parent") and Echo Merger Sub LLC (the "Merger Agreement"). Pursuant to the Merger Agreement, on October 6, 2017, these shares were cancelled and converted into the right to receive 45,004 class A ordinary shares of Parent and a cash payment for fractional shares pursuant to the Merger Agreement.
- (1) Pursuant to the Merger Agreement, these Performance-Based Restricted Stock Units were canceled and converted into the right to receive 181,859 class A ordinary shares of Parent and a cash payment for fractional shares pursuant to the Merger Agreement. The actual number of class A ordinary shares of Parent issued to the reporting person was reduced by an amount necessary to satisfy applicable tax withholding obligations.
 - (2) Pursuant to the Merger Agreement, these Restricted Stock Units were canceled and converted into the right to receive 189,817 class A ordinary shares of Parent and a cash payment for fractional shares pursuant to the Merger Agreement. The actual number of class A

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ordinary shares of Parent issued to the reporting person was reduced by an amount necessary to satisfy applicable tax withholding obligations.

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