TIDEWATER INC Form 4 April 15, 2016

FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

(Last)

(City)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * THOMPSON JACK EDWARD

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(First)

(Middle)

(Zip)

TIDEWATER INC [TDW]

(Check all applicable)

C/O TIDEWATER INC., 601 POYDRAS ST., SUITE 1500 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/15/2016

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

(Street)

(State)

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

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

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NEW ORLEANS, LA 70130

(City)	(State) (X	Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed o	of, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	04/15/2016		M	6,396	A	(1)	8,896	D	
Common Stock	04/15/2016		D	6,396	D	\$ 6.83	2,500	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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number 6. Date Exercisable and tion Derivative Securities (Month/Day/Year) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Prio Deriva Securi (Instr.	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Deferred Stock Units	(1)	04/15/2016		M	6,396	(2)	(2)	Common Stock	6,396	\$

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
• 5	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
THOMPSON JACK EDWARD C/O TIDEWATER INC. 601 POYDRAS ST., SUITE 1500 NEW ORLEANS, LA 70130	X					

Signatures

Bruce D. Lundstrom as Agent and Attorney-in-Fact for Jack E.

Thompson

04/15/2016

**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) Each deferred stock unit represents the right to receive the fair market value of one share of the Issuer's common stock in cash.
- (2) The deferred stock units are fully vested upon grant but are paid out in accordance with the Reporting Person's deferral election.

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