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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

(Last)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* Platt Jeffrey

> (First) (Middle)

C/O TIDEWATER, INC., 601 POYDRAS ST. #1900

(Street)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

TIDEWATER INC [TDW]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/01/2006

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner \_X\_\_ Officer (give title . \_ Other (specify below)

**Executive Vice President** 

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

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Person

NEW ORLEANS, LA 70130

(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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	, , ,			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	11/01/2006		Code V M	Amount 10,667	(D)	Price \$ 22.75	(Instr. 3 and 4) 31,631	D		
Common Stock	11/01/2006		M	6,900	A	\$ 32.25	38,531	D		
Common Stock	11/01/2006		S	100	D	\$ 49.01	38,431	D		
Common Stock	11/01/2006		S	500	D	\$ 49.02	37,931	D		
Common Stock	11/01/2006		S	600	D	\$ 49.03	37,331	D		

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Common Stock	11/01/2006	S	1,100	D	\$ 49.04	36,231	D	
Common Stock	11/01/2006	S	1,300	D	\$ 49.05	34,931	D	
Common Stock	11/01/2006	S	2,500	D	\$ 49.06	32,431	D	
Common Stock	11/01/2006	S	1,400	D	\$ 49.07	31,031	D	
Common Stock	11/01/2006	S	2,000	D	\$ 49.08	29,031	D	
Common Stock	11/01/2006	S	3,600	D	\$ 49.09	25,431	D	
Common Stock	11/01/2006	S	3,167	D	\$ 49.1	22,264	D	
Common Stock	11/01/2006	S	1,100	D	\$ 49.11	21,164	D	
Common Stock	11/01/2006	S	200	D	\$ 49.12	20,964	D	
Common Stock						708	I	Through Previous Employer's 401(k) Plan
Common Stock						838.9733	I	Through Tidewater Savings Plan

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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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative 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 o Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number

								of Share
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 22.75	11/01/2006	M	10,667	03/11/2000(1)	03/11/2009	Common Stock	10,66
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 32.25	11/01/2006	M	6,900	03/29/2001(1)	03/29/2010	Common Stock	6,900

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		

Platt Jeffrey C/O TIDEWATER, INC. 601 POYDRAS ST. #1900 NEW ORLEANS, LA 70130

**Executive Vice President** 

## **Signatures**

Jeffrey Platt By: Margaret F. Murphy, pursuant to a power of attorney 11/03/2006

\*\*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) The options vested in three equal annual installments beginning on the date indicated.

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