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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 report (Date of earliest event reported): May 28, 2015 (May 27, 2015)

ATWOOD OCEANICS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

Commission File Number: 1-13167

IRS Employer Identification No.: 74-1611874

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15011 Katy Freeway, Suite 800

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Houston, Texas, 77094

(Registrant s Telephone Number,

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

Including Area Code)

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Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On May 27, 2015, Mark L. Mey, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of Atwood Oceanics, Inc. (the Company), notified the Company that he is resigning in order to pursue another opportunity. Mr. Mey s resignation is effective as of May 27, 2015.

Effective May 27, 2015, Mark W. Smith, current Vice President, Chief Accounting Officer and Controller of the Company, was appointed to serve as Chief Financial Officer of the Company on an interim basis. Mr. Smith, age 44, has served as Vice President, Chief Accounting Officer and Controller of the Company since May 2014. Previously, he served as Vice President, Corporate Services of the Company from August 2011 until May 2014. Mr. Smith has over 20 years of experience in the financial, consulting and energy industries. From February 2009 to August 2011, Mr. Smith served as the head of the Internal Audit Department of the Company. Prior to joining the Company, he was a partner at Calvetti, Ferguson & Wagner P.C., a Houston-based accounting firm, from April 2006 to February 2009, prior to which Mr. Smith spent more than 10 years at major accounting and consulting firms, including PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP and Arthur Andersen.

Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

The Company issued a press release on May 27, 2015 regarding the departure of Mr. Mey and the appointment of Mr. Smith. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 hereto.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

99.1 Press Release dated May 27, 2015

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.

By: /s/ Walter A. Baker Walter A. Baker Senior Vice President, General Counsel & Corporate Secretary

Date: May 28, 2015

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit

No. Description

99.1 Press release dated May 27, 2015