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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: July 5, 2005

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

COMMISSION FILE NUMBER 1-13167

Internal Revenue Service - Employer Identification No. 74-1611874

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- [] Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

ITEM 1.01. Entry Into a Material Definitive Agreement

Atwood Oceanics, Inc., a Texas corporation (the "Company"), has amended its

\$250,000,000 Credit Agreement among the Company, Atwood Oceanics Pacific Limited and Nordea Bank Finland Plc and the other financial institutions named therein originally dated April 1, 2003 (as amended, modified, or supplemented, the "Credit Agreement"). The Fourth Amendment to the Credit Agreement was executed by all parties on or about July 5, 2005, but amended effective as of June 15, 2005 and clarifies the covenants relating to insurance. A copy of the amendment is filed as Exhibit 10.1 hereto.

ITEM 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(c) 10.1 Fourth Amendment to Credit Agreement dated June 15, 2005 among the Company, Atwood Oceanics Pacific Limited and Nordea Bank Finland Plc and other financial institutions named therein.

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.

Date: July 8, 2005

By: /s/ James Holland

James Holland Senior Vice President

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FOURTH AMENDMENT TO THE CREDIT AGREEMENT

FOURTH AMENDMENT TO THE-* CREDIT AGREEMENT (this "Amendment"), dated as of June 15, 2005, among ATWOOD OCEANICS, INC., a Texas corporation (the "Parent"), ATWOOD OCEANICS PACIFIC LIMITED, a company organized under the laws of the Cayman Islands and a Wholly-Owned Subsidiary of the Parent (the "Borrower"), the Lenders party to the Credit Agreement (as defined herein), and NORDEA BANK FINLAND PLC, NEW YORK BRANCH, a national banking association organized under the laws of the Republic of Finland, as Administrative Agent (in such capacity, the "Administrative Agent"). All capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined herein shall have the respective meanings provided such terms in the Credit Agreement.

W I T N E S S E T H:

WHEREAS, the Parent, the Borrower, the Lenders and the Administrative Agent are parties to a Credit Agreement, dated as of April 1, 2003 (as amended, modified or supplemented from time to time, the "Credit Agreement");

WHEREAS, the Parent and the Borrower have requested the Lenders to amend, and the Lenders have agreed to amend, certain provisions of the Credit Agreement on the terms and conditions set forth herein; and

WHEREAS, the parties hereto wish to amend the Credit Agreement on the terms and conditions set forth herein;

NOW, THEREFORE, it is agreed;

A. Amendment to the Credit Agreement

1. The Required Lenders hereby waive any Default or Event of Default that may have arisen as a result of the Parent's failure to comply with clause (i) of the second sentence of Section 8.03(a) of the Credit Agreement; provided that the foregoing waiver shall only apply to the mortgagee interest insurance listed in paragraph 10 of Schedule X.

2. Section 8.03(a) of the Credit Agreement is hereby amended by (i) deleting the second sentence appearing therein in its entirety and (ii) inserting the following new sentence in lieu thereof:

"In addition to the requirements of the immediately preceding sentence, the Parent will at all times cause insurance of the types described in Schedule X to (i) be maintained (with the same scope of coverage as that described in Schedule X) at levels which are at least as great as the respective amount described on Schedule X; provided that the requirement set forth in this clause (i) shall not apply to the mortgagee interest insurance listed in paragraph 10 of Schedule X and

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(ii) comply with the insurance requirements of each Collateral Rig Mortgage and the other Security Documents.".

B. Consents to Collateral Rig Mortgage Amendments.

1. The Required Lenders hereby consent to the Collateral Agent and the Credit Parties entering into the amendments to the Collateral Rig Mortgages in the form of Exhibit A and Exhibit B attached hereto.

C. Miscellaneous Provisions

1. In order to induce the Lenders to enter into this Amendment, the Parent and the Borrower hereby represent and warrant to each of the Lenders that immediately after giving effect to this Amendment (i) all of the representations and warranties contained in the Credit Agreement and in the other Credit Documents are true and correct in all material respects on and as of the Amendment Effective Date (unless such representations and warranties relate to a specific earlier date, in which case such representations and warranties shall be true and correct in all material respects as of such earlier date) and (ii) there exists no Default or Event of Default on the Amendment Effective Date, after giving effect to this Amendment.

2. This Amendment is limited as specified and shall not constitute a modification, acceptance or waiver of any other provision of the Credit Agreement or any other Credit Document.

3. This Amendment may be executed in any number of counterparts and by the different parties hereto on separate counterparts, each of which counterparts when executed and delivered shall be an original, but all of which shall together constitute one and the same instrument. A complete set of counterparts

executed by all the parties hereto shall be lodged with the Borrower and the Administrative Agent.

4. THIS AMENDMENT AND THE RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS OF THE PARTIES HEREUNDER SHALL BE CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND GOVERNED BY THE LAW OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK.

5. This Amendment shall become effective on the date (the "Amendment Effective Date") when the Borrower, the Guarantors and the Required Lenders shall have signed a counterpart hereof (whether the same or different counterparts) and shall have delivered (including by way of facsimile transmission) the same to the Administrative Agent.

6. From and after the Amendment Effective Date, all references in the Credit Agreement and in the other Credit Documents to the Credit Agreement shall be deemed to be referenced to the Credit Agreement as modified hereby.

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[SIGNATURE PAGES TO FOLLOW]

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused their duly authorized officers to execute and deliver this Amendment as of the date first above written.

ATWOOD OCEANICS, INC., as Parent and Guarantor

By: /s/James M. Holland

Name: James M. Holland Title: Senior Vice President

ATWOOD OCEANICS PACIFIC LIMITED, as Borrower

By: /s/Michael A. Cardenas ------Name: Michael A. Cardenas Title: Director of AOPL

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NORDEA BANK FINLAND PLC, NEW YORK BRANCH, Individually and as

Administrative Agent

By: /s/ Martin Lunder ______ Name: Martin Lunder Title: Senior Vice President

By:	/s/ /	nne Eng	gen
Name:	Anne	Engen	
Title:	Vice	Preside	ent

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NORDEA BANK NORGE ASA, GR. CAYMAN BRANCH, Individually and as Issuing Lender

By: /s/ Martin Lunder ------Name: Martin Lunder Title: Senior Vice President

By: /s/ Anne Engen

Name: Anne Engen Title: Vice President

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PACIFIC LIMITED, THE LENDERS PARTY THERETO AND NORDEA BANK FINLAND PLC, NEW YORK BRANCH, AS ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT.

NAME OF INSTITUTION:

DVB BANK AG

By: /s/ Illegible ______ Name: Illegible Title: Senior Vice President

By: /s/ Gorm Eikemo Name: Gorm Eikemo Title: Vice President

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NAME OF INSTITUTION:

SKANDINAVISKA ENSKILDA BENKEN AB (PUBL.)

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NAME OF INSTITUTION:

BAYERISCHE HYPO-UND VEREINSBANK AG

By: /s/ Isecke _____Name: Isecke

Title:

By: /s/ Marquart ------Name: Marquart Title:

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NAME OF INSTITUTION:

HSH NORDBANK

By: /s/ Radtke ______ Name: Radtke Title: Vice President

By: /s/ Kai Braunsdorf

Name: Kai Braunsdorf Title: Vice President

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NAME OF INSTITUTION:

FORTIS CAPITAL CORP.

By: /s/ Svein Engh ______ Name: Svein Engh Title: Managing Director By: /s/ C. Tobias Backer ______ Name: C. Tobias Backer Title: Senior Vice President

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