

DIAMOND OFFSHORE DRILLING INC

Form 8-K

March 18, 2008

**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, DC 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): **March 17, 2008**

**Diamond Offshore Drilling, Inc.**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

**Delaware**

**1-13926**

**76-0321760**

(State or Other Jurisdiction  
of Incorporation)

(Commission File Number)

(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**15415 Katy Freeway  
Houston, Texas 77094**

(Address of Principal Executive Offices and Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(281) 492-5300**

**Not Applicable**

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate line below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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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**

(b) On March 17, 2008, Mr. Alan R. Batkin informed Diamond Offshore Drilling, Inc. (the Company ) that Mr. Batkin, for personal reasons, including his other professional commitments, will not stand for re-election as a Director at the end of his current term, which will expire in conjunction with the Company s 2008 Annual Meeting of Stockholders.

**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Company has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

DIAMOND OFFSHORE DRILLING, INC.

By: */s/ Gary T. Krenek*  
Gary T. Krenek  
Senior Vice President & Chief Financial  
Officer

Dated: March 18, 2008