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PARKER DRILLING CO /DE/ Form 4 November 20, 2006 OMB APPROVAL FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OMB 3235-0287 Washington, D.C. 20549 Number: Check this box January 31, Expires: if no longer 2005 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF subject to Estimated average **SECURITIES** Section 16. burden hours per Form 4 or response... 0.5 Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction 1(b). (Print or Type Responses) 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading WHALEN JAMES W Issuer Symbol PARKER DRILLING CO /DE/ (Check all applicable) [PKD] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Last) (First) (Middle) Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) below) 1401 ENCLAVE PARKWAY, 11/16/2006 SUITE 600 (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person _ Form filed by More than One Reporting HOUSTON, TX 77077 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) any Code (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Ownership (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) Following (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common \$ 11/16/2006 7,895 M А 307,207 D 2.27 Stock Common 11/16/2006 S D 305,412 1.795 D 9.64 Stock Common 11/16/2006 S 200 D 305,212 D 9.65 Stock Common S D 304,512 11/16/2006 700 D Stock 9.68 Common 11/16/2006 S 100 D \$ 9.7 304,412 D Stock

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Common Stock	11/16/2006	S	700	D	\$ 9.72	303,712	D
Common Stock	11/16/2006	S	100	D	\$ 9.73	303,612	D
Common Stock	11/16/2006	S	1,000	D	\$ 9.74	302,612	D
Common Stock	11/16/2006	S	300	D	\$ 9.77	302,312	D
Common Stock	11/16/2006	S	2,500	D	\$ 9.78	299,812	D
Common Stock	11/16/2006	S	500	D	\$ 9.79	299,312	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 op f Derivative 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 of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)8(Instr. 3 and 4)(1)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 2.27	11/16/2006		М	7,895	<u>(1)</u>	10/15/2009	Common Stock	7,895

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

WHALEN JAMES W 1401 ENCLAVE PARKWAY, SUITE 600 HOUSTON, TX 77077

Signatures

James W Whalen

11/20/2006

<u>**</u>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) This option to acquire common stock vested and became exercisable in increments as follows: 25% on 10/15/2002, 25% on 10/15/2003, 25% on 10/15/2004 and 25% on 10/15/2005.

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