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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

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

(Last) (First) (Middle)

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

(Street)

NEW ORLEANS, LA 70130

(City) (State) (Zip)

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  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 Executive Vice President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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**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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	11/01/2006		M		10,667	A	\$ 22.75
Common Stock	11/01/2006		M		6,900	A	\$ 32.25
Common Stock	11/01/2006		S		100	D	\$ 49.01
Common Stock	11/01/2006		S		500	D	\$ 49.02
Common Stock	11/01/2006		S		600	D	\$ 49.03
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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

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of 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)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number

Option Type	Exercise Price	Grant Date	Relationship	Quantity	Expiration Date	Term	Common Stock	of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 22.75	11/01/2006	M	10,667	03/11/2000 <sup>(1)</sup>	03/11/2009	Common Stock	10,667
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 32.25	11/01/2006	M	6,900	03/29/2001 <sup>(1)</sup>	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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