

W&T OFFSHORE INC  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
 Getten Thomas F

(Last) (First) (Middle)

NINE GREENWAY PLAZA,  
 SUITE 300

(Street)

HOUSTON, TX 77046

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 W&T OFFSHORE INC [WTI]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
 04/26/2012

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)  
 VP, General Counsel & Secretary

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**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 Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) |     |       |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|-----|-------|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)  | Code  | V  | Amount                            | (D) | Price |

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 | 2. Conversion or Exercise | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any | 4. Transaction Code | 5. Number of Derivative Securities | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. De... |
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| (Instr. 3)             | Price of Derivative Security | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title        | Amount or Number of Shares |
|------------------------|------------------------------|------------------|------------|--|------|---|-----|-----|------------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------------------|
| Restricted Stock Units | (1)                          | 04/26/2012       | A          | 31,957   |      |   |     |     | (2)(3)           | (2)(3)          | Common Stock | 31,957                     |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |                                 |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------------------------------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                         | Other |
| Getten Thomas F<br>NINE GREENWAY PLAZA, SUITE 300<br>HOUSTON, TX 77046 |               |           | VP, General Counsel & Secretary |       |

## Signatures

/s/ Thomas F. Getten  
Date: 04/30/2012  
\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

## 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) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of WTI stock or its cash equivalent, as determined at the time of settlement by WTI.
- (2) The vesting of the restricted stock units is subject to a service and performance condition through October 31, 2014 and a service condition thereafter until December 15, 2014. If these conditions are met, then the restricted stock units will vest on December 15, 2014.
- (3) The number of restricted stock units eligible for vesting is subject to adjustment to reflect the achievement of performance goals by the reporting person during the applicable performance period.

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