

HERCULES OFFSHORE, INC.  
Form 8-K  
July 31, 2006

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**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

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**FORM 8-K**

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**CURRENT REPORT**

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of  
the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): July 31, 2006

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**HERCULES OFFSHORE, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

**0-51582**  
(Commission File Number)

**56-2542838**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**11 Greenway Plaza, Suite 2950**

**Houston, Texas**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**77046**  
(Zip Code)  
Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (713) 979-9300

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  - .. Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.**

On July 31, 2006, Hercules Offshore, Inc. issued a press release reporting its second quarter 2006 earnings. The press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this report and is incorporated by reference herein.

The information furnished pursuant to Item 2.02, including Exhibit 99.1, shall not be deemed to be filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and will not be incorporated by reference into any registration statement filed by Hercules under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, unless specifically identified therein as being incorporated therein by reference.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits.

99.1 Press release issued by Hercules dated July 31, 2006.

SIGNATURE

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.

HERCULES OFFSHORE, INC.

Date: July 31, 2006

By: /s/ Steven A. Manz  
Steven A. Manz  
Chief Financial Officer

**EXHIBIT INDEX**

<b>No.</b>	<b>Description</b>
99.1	Press release issued by Hercules dated July 31, 2006.