#### BENNETT JOSEPH M

Form 4 May 02, 2007

# FORM 4

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

Washington, D.C. 20549

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obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

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(Print or Type Responses)

(Last)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* BENNETT JOSEPH M

(Middle)

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

(Street)

(First)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

#### TIDEWATER INC [TDW]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/30/2007

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

#### **OMB APPROVAL**

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

#### (Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner Other (specify \_X\_\_ Officer (give title below)

Sr. VP & Princ. Acctng. Off.

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

### NEW ORLEANS, LA 70130

(City)	(State)	(Zip) <b>Tab</b> l	le I - Non-I	Derivative (	Secur	ities Acqu	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly 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 ransaction(A) or Disposed of (D) ode (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) nstr. 8)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	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	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	04/30/2007		M	10,000	A	\$ 32.25	37,287	D	
Common Stock	04/30/2007		M	10,000	A	\$ 35.29	47,287	D	
Common Stock	04/30/2007		M	5,334	A	\$ 28.05	52,621	D	
Common Stock	04/30/2007		M	6,000	A	\$ 37.55	58,621	D	
Common Stock	04/30/2007		S	500	D	\$ 65.49	58,121	D	

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Common Stock	04/30/2007	S	300	D	\$ 65.52 57,821	D
Common Stock	04/30/2007	S	2,000	D	\$ 65.53 55,821	D
Common Stock	04/30/2007	S	1,634	D	\$ 65.54 54,187	D
Common Stock	04/30/2007	S	1,300	D	\$ 65.55 52,887	D
Common Stock	04/30/2007	S	700	D	\$ 65.56 52,187	D
Common Stock	04/30/2007	S	1,200	D	\$ 65.57 50,987	D
Common Stock	04/30/2007	S	200	D	\$ 65.58 50,787	D
Common Stock	04/30/2007	S	600	D	\$ 65.59 50,187	D
Common Stock	04/30/2007	S	200	D	\$ 65.6 49,987	D
Common Stock	04/30/2007	S	2,600	D	\$ 65.75 47,387	D
Common Stock	04/30/2007	S	1,800	D	\$ 65.76 45,587	D
Common Stock	04/30/2007	S	1,200	D	\$ 65.77 44,387	D
Common Stock	04/30/2007	S	800	D	\$ 65.78 43,587	D
Common Stock	04/30/2007	S	1,700	D	\$ 65.79 41,887	D
Common Stock	04/30/2007	S	7,400	D	\$ 65.8 34,487	D
Common Stock	04/30/2007	S	200	D	\$ 65.81 34,287	D
Common Stock	04/30/2007	S	800	D	\$ 65.82 33,487	D
Common Stock	04/30/2007	S	600	D	\$ 65.83 32,887	D
Common Stock	04/30/2007	S	200	D	\$ 65.84 32,687	D
Common Stock	04/30/2007	S	100	D	\$ 65.85 32,587	D
	04/30/2007	S	900	D	31,687	D

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Common Stock					\$ 65.86	
Common Stock	04/30/2007	S	300	D	\$ 65.88 31,387	D
Common Stock	04/30/2007	S	100		\$ 65.89 31,287	D
Common Stock	04/30/2007	S	900	D	\$ 65.9 30,387 (1)	D

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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)	e 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	Secu Acqu or Di (D)	urities uired (A) Disposed of tr. 3, 4,	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 of Share
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 32.25	04/30/2007		M		10,000	03/29/2001(2)	03/29/2010	Common Stock	10,000
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 35.29	04/30/2007		M		10,000	07/26/2002(2)	07/26/2011	Common Stock	10,000
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 28.05	04/30/2007		M		5,334	03/30/2005(2)	03/30/2014	Common Stock	5,334
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 37.55	04/30/2007		M		6,000	03/30/2005	03/30/2015	Common Stock	6,000

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# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BENNETT JOSEPH M C/O TIDEWATER INC. 601 POYDRAS ST. #1900 NEW ORLEANS, LA 70130

Sr. VP & Princ. Acctng. Off.

### **Signatures**

Joseph Bennett, by: Margaret F. Murphy, Agent and Attorney-in-Fact

05/02/2007

\*\*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) Continued on next Form 4.
- (2) 1/3 exercisable on the date indicated and 1/3 exercisable on each of the two anniversaries thereof.

#### Remarks:

1 of 2 Forms 4 filed on May 2, 2007 to report transactions occurring on April 30, 2007. See other Form 4 for the remainder of t Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.

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