

Longley John D Jr
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FORM 4

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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 *
Longley John D Jr

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
ODYSSEY MARINE EXPLORATION INC [OMEX]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
5215 WEST LAUREL STREET

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
12/20/2017

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Chief Operating Officer

TAMPA, FL 33607

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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(City) (State) (Zip)

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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Price | | |
| Common Stock | 12/20/2017 | | A | 20,317 | \$ 0 | | D |
| Common Stock | 12/20/2017 | | F | 5,555 | \$ 3.85 | | 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. 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 of Shares |
| Restricted Stock Unit (RSU) | (1) | 12/20/2017 | | M | 1,725 | (2) 12/20/2017 | Common stock 1,725 |
| Restricted Stock Unit (RSU) | (1) | 12/20/2017 | | M | 18,592 | (3) 12/20/2018 | Common stock 18,592 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|-------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Longley John D Jr 5215 WEST LAUREL STREET TAMPA, FL 33607 | | | Chief Operating Officer | |

Signatures

Jay A. Nudi as attorney-in-fact for John D Longley Jr. 12/22/2017

__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) Each Restricted Stock Unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of OMEX common stock.

(2) Restricted Stock Units vest in three equal annual installments on December 20, 2015, 2016 and 2017.

(3) Restricted Stock Units vest in three equal annual installments on December 20, 2016, 2017 and 2018.

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