
**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

FORM 8-K

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

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): May 7, 2010

PARKER DRILLING COMPANY

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
*(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)*

001-07573
(Commission File Number)

73-0618660
*(IRS Employer
Identification No.)*

5 Greenway Plaza, Suite 100
Houston, Texas
(Address of principal executive offices)

77046
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(281) 406-2000**

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Item 5.07 Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders.

Parker Drilling Company's Annual Meeting of Stockholders was held on May 7, 2010. Set forth below are descriptions of the matters voted on at the meeting and the results of the votes taken at the meeting.

1. To elect three nominees (listed below) as Class II directors, each for a three-year term.

<u>Director Nominee</u>	<u>Votes For</u>	<u>Votes Withheld</u>	<u>Broker Non-Votes</u>
Robert E. McKee III	76,777,756	999,946	27,356,177
George J. Donnelly	76,697,858	1,079,403	27,356,177
Gary R. King	76,698,230	1,079,031	27,356,177

2. To consider and act upon a proposal to adopt the Parker Drilling Company 2010 Long-Term Incentive Plan.

<u>Votes For</u>	<u>Votes Against</u>	<u>Abstentions</u>	<u>Broker Non-Votes</u>
74,170,415	3,505,651	101,195	27,356,177

3. To consider and act upon a proposal for the ratification of the selection made by our Audit Committee appointing KPMG LLP as our independent registered public accounting firm for the year ending December 31, 2010.

<u>Votes For</u>	<u>Votes Against</u>	<u>Abstentions</u>	<u>Broker Non-Votes</u>
103,126,714	1,923,494	83,230	N/A

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.

Parker Drilling Company

By: /s/ W. Kirk Brassfield

W. Kirk Brassfield
Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Date: May 11, 2010