FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Typ	e Responses)																
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *- PARKER ROBERT L JR			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol PARKER DRILLING CO /DE/ [PKD]							5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner								
5 GREENWAY PLAZA, SUITE 100 (Middle)			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/01/2013							X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) Executive Chairman								
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)							6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person								
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1.Title of Se		` ′	2. Transaction	2A. Dee	emed		ransac			curities Ac			-		ficially Own	6.	7. Na	nture
(Instr. 3) Date			Execution Date		if Cod (Inst	e		(A) or	(A) or Disposed of (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		(D) Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)		d	Ownership Form:	of Indirect Beneficial	direct ficial		
				(Month)	Day/Ye		ode	V	Amou	(A) or (D)	Price	or (I)		Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)				
401K Common Stock											820,8	321.694	(1)		I	401(Plan		
Common S	Stock		03/01/2013				A		49,98	86 A	\$ 4.80	1,419	9,914			D		
Common S	Stock		03/01/2013				F		14,27	71 D	\$ 4.80	1,405	5,643			D		
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, in	f Transaction of Code De r) (Instr. 8) See Ac (A Di:		Number erivative curities equired) or sposed of	6. Ex (N)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. T Am Und Sec	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	Owner Form of Deriva Securit Direct or Indi	ship of B O (I) (I) (D) rect) ` ´	
				Code	V (A) (D)		nte ercisa		Expiration Date	Titl	e	Amount or Number of Shares					
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0	03/01/2013		D		49,98	26	3/01/2	2013	03/01/201	4	mmon tock	49,986	\$ 0	414,049	D		

Reporting Owners

B (1 0 N (41)	Relationships						
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
PARKER ROBERT L JR 5 GREENWAY PLAZA, SUITE 100 HOUSTON, TX 77046	X		Executive Chairman				

Signatures

F	Robert L. Parker Jr	03/05/2013			
	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) Shares of PKD common stock in 401(k) as of March 1, 2013.
- (2) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of PKD common stock.

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