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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 *- REINFRANK RUDOLPH R				2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol PARKER DRILLING CO /DE/ [PKD]							01		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) 03/16/2012							ar)			e title below)		r (specify below	v)
(Street) HOUSTON, TX 77046				4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)							/Year)	_X_	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_Form filed by One Reporting Person _Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City) (State) (Zip)				Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acqui							Securities A	Acquired	ired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned				
(Instr. 3) Date			2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year	2A. Deemed Execution Da r) any (Month/Day/		Date, if	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		(A	4. Securities Acquire (A) or Disposed of ((Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		(D) Owned Followi Transaction(s)		ing Reported	d I		Beneficial
			iy/Year)			Co	ode	V A	moun	(A) or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		(Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)	
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Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security			Code Derivat		Expirative (Month/) sed of 3, 4,		ation D	Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		Derivative Security (Instr. 5)		Ownersl Form of Derivati Security Direct (I or Indire	Ownersh (Instr. 4)	
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exerc	cisable		xpiration ate	Title	Amour or Numbe of Shares				
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0	03/16/2012		A		16,340 (1))	03/18	8/2013	(<u>2</u>)	3/18/2013	Comm	116 34	0 \$ 0	31,698	D	

Reporting Owners

Barratina Commun Nama / Addison	Relationships						
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
REINFRANK RUDOLPH R 5 GREENWAY PLAZA, SUITE 100 HOUSTON, TX 77046	X						

Signatures

R. Rudolph Reinfrank	03/20/2012
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 PKD common stock.
- (2) 100% of these reported restricted stock units vest on March 18, 2013.

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