HERCULES OFFSHORE, INC. Form 8-K January 03, 2007

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): January 2, 2007

HERCULES OFFSHORE, INC.

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE (State of incorporation

0-51582 (Commission file number) 56-2542838 (I.R.S. employer

or organization)

identification number)

11 GREENWAY PLAZA, SUITE 2950

HOUSTON, TEXAS (Address of principal executive offices)

77046

ntive offices) (Zip code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (713) 979-9300

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (*see* General Instruction A.2. below):

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- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 8.01 Other Events.

On January 2, 2007, Hercules Offshore, Inc. (the Company) issued a press release announcing that the Company s Chief Financial Officer suffered an apparent stroke on December 28, 2006. The Company also announced that it intends to promptly appoint a qualified individual to perform the Chief Financial Officer s responsibilities on an interim basis. A copy of the press release is filed as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (d) Exhibits.
 - 99.1 Press Release issued by the Company on January 2, 2007.

SIGNATURES

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.

HERCULES OFFSHORE, INC.

Date: January 3, 2007

By: /s/ James W. Noe
James W. Noe

Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No.

DescriptionPress Release issued by the Company on January 2, 2007. 99.1