

HERCULES OFFSHORE, INC.  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4** UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
GREENHILL CAPITAL PARTNERS, LLC

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
HERCULES OFFSHORE, INC. [HERO]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
300 PARK AVENUE, 23RD FLOOR,  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
04/18/2006

\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_X\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_\_ Officer (give title below) \_\_\_ Other (specify below)

NEW YORK, NY 10022

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
\_\_\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_X\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock; par value \$0.01 per share	04/18/2006		S <sup>(1)</sup>	1,859,247 D	\$ 36 <u>(2)</u> 3,646,172	I	Through limited partnerships <u>(3) (4)</u>

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)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Beneficially (Instr. 5)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
GREENHILL CAPITAL PARTNERS, LLC 300 PARK AVENUE, 23RD FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10022		X		
GCP MANAGING PARTNER, L.P. 300 PARK AVENUE, 23RD FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10022		X		
GREENHILL & CO INC 300 PARK AVENUE 23RD FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10022		X		
GREENHILL CAPITAL PARTNERS LP 300 PARK AVE 23RD FL NEW YORK, NY 10022		X		

## Signatures

Greenhill Capital Partners, LLC, By: Robert H. Niehaus, Chairman, /s/ Robert H. Niehaus 04/18/2006  
\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date
  
 Greenhill Capital Partners, L.P., By: GCP Managing Partner L.P., its managing general partner, By: Greenhill Capital Partners, LLC, its general partner, By: Robert H. Niehaus, Chairman, /s/ Robert H. Niehaus 04/18/2006  
\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date
  
 Greenhill & Co., Inc., By: Ulrika Ekman, Managing Director, General Counsel and Secretary, /s/ Ulrika Ekman 04/18/2006

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\_\_Signature of Reporting Person

Date

GCP Managing Partner, L.P., By: Greenhill Capital Partners, LLC, its general partner, By:  
Robert H. Niehaus, Chairman, /s/ Robert H. Niehaus

04/18/2006

\_\_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) Sale by reporting persons pursuant to a public offering of the Issuer.
- (2) Public offering price.

- This Form 4 is being filed by more than one reporting person. Greenhill Capital Partners, LLC, whose sole member is Greenhill & Co., Inc., is the general partner of GCP Managing Partner, L.P. GCP Managing Partner, L.P. is the managing general partner of Greenhill Capital Partners, L.P., which sold 1,150,480 shares of common stock pursuant to the public offering and is now the record owner of 2,256,210 shares of common stock, Greenhill Capital Partners (Executives), L.P., which sold 177,121 shares of common stock pursuant to the public offering and is now the record owner of 347,351 shares of common stock, Greenhill Capital, L.P., which sold 367,197 shares of common stock pursuant to the public offering and is now the record owner of 720,110 shares of common stock, and Greenhill Capital Partners (Cayman), L.P., which sold 164,449 shares of common stock pursuant to the public offering and is now the record owner of 322,501 shares of common stock.
- (3)
  - (4) Each reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of the reported securities except and to the extent of its pecuniary interest therein.

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