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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement HERCULES OFFSHORE, INC. [HERO] Butz Stephen M (Month/Day/Year) 02/10/2010 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 9 GREENWAY PLAZA, SUITE (Check all applicable) 2200 (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group 10% Owner Director _X__ Officer Other Filing(Check Applicable Line) (give title below) (specify below) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting VP - Finance and Treasurer Person HOUSTON, TXÂ 77046 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) Â Common Stock, Par Value \$0.01 Per Share D 6,737 Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security 2. Date Exercisable and 3. Title and Amount of 5. 6. Nature of Indirect (Instr. 4) **Expiration Date** Securities Underlying Conversion Ownership Beneficial Ownership (Month/Day/Year) **Derivative Security** or Exercise Form of (Instr. 5) (Instr. 4) Price of Derivative Derivative Security: Title Direct (D) Security

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date		Amount or Number of Shares		or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(1)	11/01/2015	Common Stock, Par Value \$0.01 Per Share	6,000	\$ 20	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(2)	02/12/2017	Common Stock, Par Value \$0.01 Per Share	7,400	\$ 25.34	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(3)	02/14/2018	Common Stock, Par Value \$0.01 Per Share	8,500	\$ 25.64	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(4)	02/25/2019	Common Stock, Par Value \$0.01 Per Share	40,000	\$ 1.65	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
1	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Butz Stephen M 9 GREENWAY PLAZA, SUITE 2200 HOUSTON, TX 77046	Â	Â	VP - Finance and Treasurer	Â		

Signatures

/s/ James W. Noe, attorney-in-fact 02/11/2010

**Signature of Reporting Person Da

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) The stock option became exercisable in four equal amounts on the date of grant, November 1, 2005, and on each of the first three anniversaries of the date of grant.
- (2) The stock option becomes exercisable in three equal amounts on each of the first three anniversaries of the date of grant, February 12, 2007.
- (3) The stock option becomes exercisable in three equal amounts on each of the first three anniversaries of the date of grant, February 14, 2008.

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(4) The stock option becomes exercisable in three equal amounts on each of the first three anniversaries of the grant date, February 25, 2009.

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Remarks:

Exhibit List: Exhibit 24 Power of Attorney

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