HERCULES OFFSHORE, INC. Form 8-K May 01, 2006

### **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): May 1, 2006

# HERCULES OFFSHORE, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction

0-51582 (Commission File Number) 56-2542838 (IRS Employer

of incorporation)

Identification No.)

11 Greenway Plaza, Suite 2950

Houston, Texas (Address of principal executive offices)

77046

(Zip Code)

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

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.):

- " Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

#### Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On May 1, 2006, Hercules Offshore, Inc. issued a press release reporting its first quarter 2006 earnings. The press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this report and is incorporated by reference herein.

The information furnished pursuant to Item 2.02, including Exhibit 99.1, shall not be deemed to be filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and will not be incorporated by reference into any registration statement filed by Hercules under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, unless specifically identified therein as being incorporated therein by reference.

#### Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (d) Exhibits.
- 99.1 Press release issued by Hercules dated May 1, 2006.

#### **SIGNATURE**

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: May 1, 2006 By: /s/ Steven A. Manz Steven A. Manz

Chief Financial Officer

### EXHIBIT INDEX

#### No. Description

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