

ODYSSEY MARINE EXPLORATION INC
Form SC 13G
February 07, 2014

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13G

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

(Amendment No.)*

ODYSSEY MARINE EXPLORATION INC.

(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock, no par value

(Title of Class of Securities)

676118102

(CUSIP Number)

January 29, 2014

(Date of Event which Requires Filing of this Statement)

Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed:

☒ [X]

Rule 13d-1(b)

☐ []

Rule 13d-1(c)

☐ []

Rule 13d-1(d)

* The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter the disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required in the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be filed for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Act) or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

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1.

Names of Reporting Persons.

COLUMBUS CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, LLC

2.

Check the Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group

(a) ☐

(b) ☐

3.

SEC Use Only

4.

Citizenship or Place of Organization

CALIFORNIA

NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED

BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH:

5.

Sole Voting Power

0

6.

Shared Voting Power

4,781,100

7.

Sole Dispositive Power

0

8.

Shared Dispositive Power

4,781,100

9.

Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person

4,781,100

10.

Check if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares (See Instructions)

☐ []

11.

Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (9)

5.7%

12.

Type of Reporting Person:

IA

CUSIP No.: 290846203

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1.

Names of Reporting Persons.

MATTHEW D. OCKNER

2.

Check the Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group

(a) ☐

(b) ☐

3.

SEC Use Only

4.

Citizenship or Place of Organization

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED

BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH:

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Sole Voting Power

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IN, HC

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Item 1(a).

Name of Issuer:

Odyssey Marine Exploration Inc. (the Issuer).

Item 1(b).

Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices:

5215 West Laurel Street, Tampa, FL 33607.

Item 2(a).

Name of Person Filing:

This Statement is filed on behalf of each of the following persons (collectively, the Reporting Persons):

i)

Columbus Capital Management, LLC (CCM); and

ii)

Matthew D. Ockner (Mr. Ockner).

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This statement relates to Shares (as defined herein) held for the account of each of Columbus Capital Partners, L.P. (CCP) and Columbus Capital QP Partners, L.P. (CCQP). CCM is the general partner to CCP and CCQP. Mr. Ockner is the managing member of CCM. In such capacities, CCM and Mr. Ockner may be deemed to have voting and dispositive power over the Shares held for the account of CCP and CCQP.

Item 2(b).

Address of Principal Business Office or, if None, Residence:

The address of the principal business office of each of CCM and Mr. Ockner is 1 Market Street, Spear Tower, Suite 3790, San Francisco, CA 94105.

Item 2(c).

Citizenship:

i)

CCM is a California limited liability company; and

ii)

Mr. Ockner is a citizen of the United States of America.

Item 2(d).

Title of Class of Securities:

Common Stock, no par value (the Shares)

Item 2(e).

CUSIP Number:

676118102

Item 3.

If This Statement is Filed Pursuant to §§240.13d-1(b) or 240.13d-2(b) or (c), Check Whether the Person Filing is a:

(e) ☒ An investment adviser in accordance with §240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(E);

(g) ☒ A parent holding company or control person in accordance with §240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(G).

Item 4.

Ownership:

Item 4(a)

Amount Beneficially Owned:

As of February 7, 2014, each of CCM and Mr. Ockner may have been deemed the beneficial owner of 4,781,100 Shares. This amount consists of: (i) 2,675,200 Shares held for the account of CCP; and (ii) 2,105,900 Shares held for the account of CCQP.

Item 4(b)

Percent of Class:

As of February 7, 2014, each of CCM and Mr. Ockner may have been deemed the beneficial owner of approximately 5.7% of Shares outstanding. (There are approximately 83,587,243 Shares outstanding according to the Issuer's Form 10-Q filed November 12, 2013.)

Item 4(c)

Number of Shares of which such person has:

CCM and Mr. Ockner:

(i)

Sole power to vote or direct the vote:

0

(ii)

Shared power to vote or direct the vote:

4,781,100

(iii)

Sole power to dispose or direct the disposition of:

0

(iv)

Shared power to dispose or direct the disposition of:

4,781,100

Item 5.

Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class:

If this statement is being filed to report the fact that as of the date hereof each of the Reporting Persons has ceased to be the beneficial owner of more than 5 percent of the class of securities, check the following [].

Item 6.

Ownership of More than Five Percent on Behalf of Another Person:

CCM serves as general partner to CCP and CCQP, and as investment manager to CCOF, each of which has the right to receive or the power to direct the receipt of dividends from, or the proceeds from the sale of, the Shares.

Item 7.

Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary Which Acquired the Security Being Reported on By the Parent Holding Company or Control Person:

See disclosure in Item 2 hereof.

Item 8.

Identification and Classification of Members of the Group:

This Item 8 is not applicable.

Item 9.

Notice of Dissolution of Group:

This Item 9 is not applicable.

Item 10.

Certification:

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were acquired and are held in the ordinary course of business and were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect, other than activities solely in connection with a nomination under Sec. 240.14a-11.

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SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

February 7, 2014

COLUMBUS CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, LLC

By: /s/ Matthew D. Ockner

Name:

Matthew D. Ockner

Title:

Managing Member

MATTHEW D. OCKNER

By: /s/ Matthew D. Ockner

Name:

Matthew D. Ockner

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Joint Filing Agreement

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EXHIBIT A

JOINT FILING AGREEMENT

The undersigned hereby agree that the statement on Schedule 13G with respect to the Common Stock of Odyssey Marine Exploration Inc., dated as of February 7, 2014, is, and any amendments thereto (including amendments on Schedule 13D) signed by each of the undersigned shall be, filed on behalf of each of us pursuant to and in accordance with the provisions of Rule 13d-1(k) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

February 7, 2014

COLUMBUS CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, LLC

By: /s/ Matthew D. Ockner

Name:

Matthew D. Ockner

Title:

Managing Member

MATTHEW D. OCKNER

By: /s/ Matthew D. Ockner

Name:

Matthew D. Ockner