

ODYSSEY MARINE EXPLORATION INC
 Form 4
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FORM 4

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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 *
 Gordon Mark

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 ODYSSEY MARINE EXPLORATION INC [OMEX]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 5215 WEST LAUREL STREET
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 12/20/2016

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
 CEO & President

TAMPA, FL 33607

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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(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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock	12/20/2016		A	50,104	A \$ 0	83,246 ⁽¹⁾	D
Common Stock	12/20/2016		F	13,703	D \$ 3.47	69,543 ⁽¹⁾	D

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)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Unit (RSU)	(2)	12/20/2016		M	2,560	(3)	12/20/2016	Common Stock	2,560
Restricted Stock Unit (RSU)	(2)	12/20/2016		M	3,825	(4)	12/20/2017	Common Stock	3,825
Restricted Stock Unit (RSU)	(2)	12/20/2016		M	43,719	(5)	12/20/2018	Common Stock	43,719

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Gordon Mark 5215 WEST LAUREL STREET TAMPA, FL 33607	X		CEO & President	

Signatures

/s/ Mark D.
Gordon

12/21/2016

**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) The number of shares shown gives effect to reverse stock splits that became effective on February 19, 2016.
- (2) Each Restricted Stock Unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of OMEX common stock.
- (3) Restricted Stock Units vest in three equal annual installments on December 20, 2014, 2015, and 2016.
- (4) Restricted Stock Units vest in three equal annual installments on December 20, 2015, 2016, and 2017.
- (5) Restricted Stock Units vest in three equal annual installments on December 20, 2016, 2017, and 2018.

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