

OMNI ENERGY SERVICES CORP
 Form 3
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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

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|-------------------------------------------|---------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * | | 2. Date of Event Requiring Statement | 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol | |
| Â Rice Shawn | | (Month/Day/Year) | OMNI ENERGY SERVICES CORP [OMNI] | |
| (Last) | (First) | (Middle) | 09/25/2006 | |
| 114 TUCSON DRIVE | | | 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer | 5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) |
| (Street) | | | (Check all applicable) | |
| LAFAYETTE,Â LAÂ 70503 | | | <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person |
| | | | (give title below) (specify below) | <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |
| | | | VP - Trussco Operations | |

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 4) | 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4) | 3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|
| Common Stock | 5,750 | D | Â |

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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

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

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| | | | | Shares | | (I) (Instr. 5) | |
|-----------------------|-------|------------|--------------|---------|---------|-------------------|---|
| Company Stock Options | Â (1) | 11/30/2014 | Common Stock | 100,000 | \$ 2.93 | D | Â |
| Company Stock Options | Â (2) | 07/28/2015 | Common Stock | 30,000 | \$ 2.59 | D | Â |
| Company Stock Options | Â (3) | 04/11/2016 | Common Stock | 10,000 | \$ 5.14 | D | Â |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|-------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Rice Shawn 114 TUCSON DRIVE LAFAYETTE, LA 70503 | Â | Â | Â VP - Trussco Operations | Â |

Signatures

Shawn Rice 09/29/2006

**Signature of
Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(b)(v).

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(1) 1/3 on November 30, 2004, 1/3 on November 30, 2005 and 1/3 on November 30, 2006

(2) 2,500 options vest each quarter for 3 years beginning October 1, 2005

(3) 833 options vest each quarter for 3 years beginning on June 30, 2006

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