# FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)																
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * FREEL JEROME F					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol W&T OFFSHORE INC [WTI]							5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X_ Director X_ 10% Owner				
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O W&T OFFSHORE, INC., EIGHT GREENWAY PLAZA, SUITE 1330				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/22/2006								X_Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)  Corporate Secretary				
(Street)				4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) X_Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
HOUSTON, TX 77046																
(City)	(State)		(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned												
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)			2. Transacti (Month/Day			, if (Ir	ì í		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		or	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				Beneficial
				(1	viontn/Day/Y	ear)	Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price					Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock												3,418,635			D	
Common Stock												3,418,636 <sup>(1)</sup>			I	See footnote (1) below.
Common Stock												250,000 <sup>(2)</sup>			D	
Reminder: Report on a separate	line for each class of	securities beneficially	owned directly or in	ndirectly.				Persons	who respond	to the colle	ction of	information contained in this fo	rm are not re	quired to	SEC	1474 (9-02)
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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 (Month/Day/Year) Security (Month/Day/Year) Security (Month/Day/Year) Security (Month/Day/Year) Securities Acquired (Instr. 8) Securities Acquired (Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		d (A) or Expiration Date Sec			Securit	Title and Amount of Underlying 8. Price of Derivative Start. 3 and 4) 8. Price of Derivative Securities (Instr. 5) Beneficiall			Ownership Form of Beneficial Derivative Ownership							
				Code	e V	(A	ı)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
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## **Reporting Owners**

		Relationships						
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
FREEL JEROME F C/O W&T OFFSHORE, INC. EIGHT GREENWAY PLAZA, SUITE 1330 HOUSTON. TX 77046	Х	Х	Corporate Secretary					

## **Signatures**

/s/ Price W. Wilson, Attorney-in-fact	05/24/2006
**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) These securities are held in the name of Jerome F. Freel's wife, Ann K. Freel.
- These securities are held in a joint bank account of Jerome F. Freel and Ann K. Freel. (2)

This Form 4 is being filed to reflect a transfer of 3,418,635 shares of common stock previously held in the name of Ann K. Freel into the name of her husband, Jerome F. Freel. For beneficial ownership reporting requirements, this transfer

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