

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

DIVISION OF CORPORATION FINANCE MAIL STOP 7010

September 13, 2007

Gregory L. Cauthen Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer Transocean Inc. 4 Greenway Plaza Houston, TX 77046

> Re: Transocean Inc. Form 10-K for the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2006 Filed March 1, 2007 Form 10-Q for the Quarterly Period Ended June 30, 2007 Filed August 1, 2007 File No. 333-75899

Dear Mr. Cauthen:

We have reviewed your filings, and have the following comment. We have limited our review of your filings to those issues we have addressed in our comment. Please provide a written response to our comment. Please be as detailed as necessary in your explanation.

Please understand that the purpose of our review process is to assist you in your compliance with the applicable disclosure requirements and to enhance the overall disclosure in your filings. We look forward to working with you in these respects. We welcome any questions you may have about our comments or any other aspect of our review. Feel free to call us at the telephone numbers listed at the end of this letter.

## Form 10-K for the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2006

## Certifications Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002

1. In a March 4, 2005 Staff Alert entitled <u>Annual Report Reminders</u>, the staff of the Division of Corporation Finance reminded issuers that the certifications required under Exchange Act Rules 13a-14(a) and 15d-14(a) must be in the exact form set forth in Item 601(b)(31) of Regulation S-K. We note you have replaced the word "report" with "annual report" or "quarterly report" in paragraphs 2, 3, and 4 of the certifications in your Form 10-K and 10-Q. Please revise all future certifications to be in the exact form set forth in Item 601 of Regulation S-K.

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## Closing Comments

Please respond to this comment within 10 business days or tell us when you will provide us with a response. Please furnish a letter that keys your response to our comment and provides any requested information. Detailed letters greatly facilitate our review. Please understand that we may have additional comments after reviewing your response to our comment.

We urge all persons who are responsible for the accuracy and adequacy of the disclosure in the filing to be certain that the filing includes all information required under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and that they have provided all information investors require for an informed investment decision. Since the company and its management are in possession of all facts relating to a company's disclosure, they are responsible for the accuracy and adequacy of the disclosures they have made.

In connection with responding to our comments, please provide, in writing, a statement from the company acknowledging that:

- the company is responsible for the adequacy and accuracy of the disclosure in the filing;
- staff comments or changes to disclosure in response to staff comments do not foreclose the Commission from taking any action with respect to the filing; and
- the company may not assert staff comments as a defense in any proceeding initiated by the Commission or any person under the federal securities laws of the United States.

In addition, please be advised that the Division of Enforcement has access to all information you provide to the staff of the Division of Corporation Finance in our review of your filing or in response to our comments on your filing.

You may contact Mark Wojciechowski at (202) 551-3759 if you have questions regarding comments on the financial statements and related matters. Please contact me at (202) 551-3683 with any other questions.

Sincerely,

Jill Davis Branch Chief