#### ION GEOPHYSICAL CORP

Form 3 June 04, 2013

# FORM 3 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

OMB APPROVAL

OMB Number:

3235-0104

Expires:

response...

January 31, 2005

0.5

Estimated average burden hours per

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person \* Statement ION GEOPHYSICAL CORP [IO]  **BATE STEVEN** (Month/Day/Year) 05/29/2013 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 2105 CITYWEST (Check all applicable) **BOULEVARD, Â SUITE 400** (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group 10% Owner Director \_X\_\_ Officer Other Filing(Check Applicable Line) (give title below) (specify below) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting **SVP Systems Division** Person HOUSTON, TXÂ 77042-2839 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 5) (Instr. 4) Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) Â Common Stock D 22,637 Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB control number.

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

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

#### Edgar Filing: ION GEOPHYSICAL CORP - Form 3

	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date		Amount or Number of Shares		or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	03/24/2010	06/29/2013	Common Stock	40,000	\$ 4.58	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	03/24/2010	06/29/2013	Common Stock	25,000	\$ 2.83	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	(1)	06/29/2013	Common Stock	12,000	\$ 15.43	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	(2)	06/29/2013	Common Stock	10,000	\$ 9.97	D	Â

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
BATE STEVEN 2105 CITYWEST BOULEVARD SUITE 400 HOUSTON. TX 77042-2839	Â	Â	SVP Systems Division	Â		

## **Signatures**

Rebecca F. Sacco, attorney-in-fact 06/04/2013

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

### **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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 option became exerciable as follows: 25% on 12/01/2008, 25% on 12/01/2009 and 50% on 03/24/2010.
- (2) The option became exerciable as follows: 25% on 09/01/2007, 25% on 09/01/2008, 25% on 09/01/2009 and 25% on 03/24/2010.

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *See* Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.

Reporting Owners 2