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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1	ess of Reporting Per IRISTINA W	son [*]	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>DAWSON OPERATING CO</u> [DWSN]		tionship of Reporting Per all applicable) Director Officer (give title	on(s) to Issuer 10% Owner Other (specify
(Last) 508 W. WALL,	(First) SUITE 800	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/11/2015	X	below) EVP, Chief Financ	below)
(Street) MIDLAND (City)	TX (State)	79701 (Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv Line) X	vidual or Joint/Group Filing Form filed by One Rep Form filed by More that Person	orting Person

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)					5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(1130.4)	
Common Stock \$0.33 1/3 par value	02/11/2015		D		66,834 ⁽²⁾⁽³⁾	D	(1)	0	D		

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

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 5. Number of Code (instance)
 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date
 7. Title and Amount of Securities
 8. Price of Derivative Securities
 9. Number of derivative Securities
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Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. Derivative ((Month/Day/Year)		of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares					
Stock Options (right to buy)	\$18.91	02/11/2015		D			10,000	(4)	12/02/2018	Common Stock	10,000	(4)	0	D		

Explanation of Responses:

1. Title of

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1. Disposed of pursuant to the merger (the "Merger") of Dawson Operating Company, previously known as Dawson Geophysical Company ("Old Dawson") with a subsidiary of Dawson Geophysical Company, previously known as TGC Industries, Inc. ("New Dawson") whereby each share of Old Dawson common stock, par value \$0.33 1/3 per share, was converted into 1.760 shares of New Dawson common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, having a market value based on the closing price of one share of New Dawson common stock on NASDAQ on the effective date of the Merger of \$5.85 (as adjusted to reflect New Dawson's 1-for-3 reverse stock split, which occurred immediately prior to the Merger) per share and a cash payment being made for any fractional shares.

2. Includes 8,622 Restricted Stock Units, which are convertible at a rate of 1 unit for 1 share of Old Dawson common stock, par value \$0.33 1/3 per share. Each such unit was disposed of pursuant to the Merger in exchange for 1.760 corresponding units of New Dawson, subject to the same terms and conditions.

3. Includes 7,500 Restricted Stock Grants, which are convertible at a rate of 1 restricted share for 1 share of Old Dawson common stock, par value \$0.33 1/3 per share. Each such restricted share was disposed of pursuant to the Merger in exchange for 1.760 corresponding restricted shares of New Dawson, subject to the same terms and conditions.

4. This option, which was vested, was assumed by New Dawson pursuant to the Merger and replaced with an option to purchase 17,600 shares of New Dawson common stock for \$10.75 per share.

/ <u>Christina W. Hagan</u>

** Signature of Reporting Person

02/12/2015 on Date

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

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

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