FORM 4

obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>COOPER CRAIG W</u>						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol DAWSON OPERATING CO [DWSN]								(Ch	Relationshi eck all app X Dired	olicable)	ng Person(s) to	lssuer Owner
(Last) 508 W. W	Last) (First) (Middle) 08 W. WALL, SUITE 800					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/11/2015									Offic belo	er (give title w)	Othe belov	(specify /)
(Street) MIDLAND TX 79701 (City) (State) (Zip)				4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								Line	e) <mark>X</mark> Forn Forn	dual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
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Common Stock \$0.33 1/3 par value 02/11/						2015		D		16,651 D		D	(1)		0	D		
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Explanation of Responses:

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.

<u>/s/ Craig W. Cooper</u> <u>02/12/2015</u>

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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