#### **W&T OFFSHORE INC**

Form 4

September 15, 2005

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* LUIKART JAMES L

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

W&T OFFSHORE INC [WTI]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Issuer

(Last)

(First) (Middle)

(Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

\_X\_\_ Director Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify

520 MADISON AVE

(Month/Day/Year) 09/13/2005

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

below)

(Street)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

NEW YORK, NY 10022

(State)

(City)

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities of Disposed (Instr. 3, 4 an	of (D) ad 5)  (A) or	ed (A)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	09/13/2005		J <u>(3)</u>	1,888,154 (3)	D	\$ 0 (3)	0	I	See Footnotes (1) (2)
Common Stock							56,033	I	See Footnote (3)
Common Stock							25,962	D (3)	

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

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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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Titl	le and	8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transaction	orNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amou	ınt of	Derivative	Deriv
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(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	e		Secur	ities	(Instr. 5)	Bene
	Derivative				Securities			(Instr.	. 3 and 4)		Own
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				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
r	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
LUIKART JAMES L 520 MADISON AVE NEW YORK, NY 10022	X						

# **Signatures**

/s/ James L 09/14/2005 Luikart \*\*Signature of Date Reporting Person

## **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).
- Mr. Luikart is one of two managing members of Jefferies Capital Partners (a/k/a FS Private Investments III, LLC and referred to (1) hereinafter as "JCP"). The other managing member of JCP is Brian Friedman.
- Prior to the reported transaction, JCP controlled the investment and/or voting power in respect of 1,888,154 shares of Common Stock, which shares were held by the three funds (the "JCP Funds") managed by JCP. Mr.Luikart is compensated, in part, based on the financial (2) performance of the securities held by the JCP Funds. Mr. Luikart elected to report as indirectly owned all the shares beneficially owned by the JCP Funds and disclaimed beneficial ownership of such shares except to the extent of his proportionate interest therein resulting from his direct or indirect interest in JCP and the JCP Funds.
- On September 13, 2005 the JCP Funds distributed these shares to their respective partners/members without consideration on a pro rata basis. As a result, 56,003 shares are beneficially owned by JCP and 25,962 shares are directly owned by Mr. Luikart. Mr Luikart disclaims beneficial ownership in the shares held by JCP execpt: to the extent of his proportionate pecuniary interest therein resulting from his interest in JCP

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