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**KNOWLTON JOHN STOKES**

**FORM 3**  
(Initial Statement of Beneficial Ownership)

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## INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the  
Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (MM/DD/YYYY)	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
<b>Knowlton John Stokes</b>	<b>7/1/2010</b>	<b>Ensco plc [ESV]</b>
(Last) (First) (Middle) <b>500 N. AKARD STREET, SUITE 4300</b>	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below) <b>Vice President - Engineering /</b>	
(Street) <b>DALLAS, TX 75201-3331</b>	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (MM/DD/YYYY)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
(City) (State) (Zip)		

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
<b>American Depositary Shares</b>	<b>54959 (1)</b>	<b>D</b>	
<b>American Depositary Shares</b>	<b>155.1</b>	<b>I</b>	<b>Ensco Savings and Retirement Plans</b>

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

1. Title of Derivate Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (MM/DD/YYYY)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares			
<b>Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)</b>	<b>6/1/2006 (2)</b>	<b>6/1/2012</b>	<b>American Depositary Shares</b>	<b>3000 (3)</b>	<b>\$33.545</b>	<b>D</b>	
<b>Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)</b>	<b>7/3/2007 (4)</b>	<b>7/3/2013</b>	<b>American Depositary Shares</b>	<b>24000 (5)</b>	<b>\$46.36</b>	<b>D</b>	

**Explanation of Responses:**

- (1) Amount includes an Employee Restricted American Depository Shares Grant of 11,665, which was granted effective July 1, 2010. The Employee Restricted American Depository Shares Grant vest at a rate of 20% per annum on the anniversary date of the grant and is fully vested in five (5) years.
- (2) The Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) was granted June 1, 2005 and is fully vested.
- (3) Amount is representative of the number of unexercised options remaining out of a total grant of 12,000.
- (4) The Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) was granted July 3, 2006 and is fully vested.
- (5) Amount is representative of the number of unexercised options remaining out of a total grant of 32,000.

**Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
<b>Knowlton John Stokes 500 N. AKARD STREET SUITE 4300 DALLAS, TX 75201-3331</b>			<b>Vice President - Engineering</b>	

**Signatures**/s/ Cary A. Moomjian, Jr., by Power of Attorney7/6/2010

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

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 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).

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