

U.S. SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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(f) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person

PURSELL	WADE	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)

Cal Dive International, Inc.		
400 N. Sam Houston Pkwy. E., Suite 400		

(Street)		
Houston	Texas	77060
(City)	(State)	(Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Cal Dive International, Inc. "CDIS"

3. IRS or Social Security Number of Reporting Person (Voluntary)

4. Statement for Month/Year

08/98

5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Year)

6. Relationship of Reporting Person to Issuer
(Check all applicable)

- 10% Owner
- Director
- Officer (give title below)
- Other (specify below)

Vice President

TABLE I--Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.	2.	3.	4.			5.	6.	7.
Title of Security (Instr. 3)	Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Month (Instr. 3 and 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Nature of Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
CDIS Common Stock	08/10/98	P	600	A	17 15/16	2,100	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly. (Print or Type Responses)

FORM 4 (continued)

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

1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.		7.	8.	9.	10.	11.
Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		Date Exercisable and Expiration Date	Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Month (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

Explanation of Responses:

/s/ WADE PURSELL

SEPTEMBER 2, 1998

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space provided is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.