

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

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the  
Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of Earliest Event Reported): February 4, 2004

GULF ISLAND FABRICATION, INC.  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Louisiana	0-22303	72-1147390
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(IRS Employer Identification No.)

583 Thompson Road  
Houma, Louisiana 70363  
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(985) 872-2100  
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not applicable  
(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Item 5. Other Events and Regulation FD Disclosure.

On February 4, 2004, Gulf Island Fabrication, Inc. issued a press release announcing the declaration of a common stock dividend. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.2.

Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits

The following exhibit is filed herewith:

Exhibit No.	Description
99.2	Press Release dated February 4, 2004

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

GULF ISLAND FABRICATION, INC.

By: /s/ Joseph P. Gallagher, III  
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Joseph P. Gallagher, III  
Vice President - Finance,  
Chief Financial Officer  
and Treasurer  
(Principal Financial Officer)

and Duly Authorized Officer)

Dated: February 4, 2004

Gulf Island Fabrication, Inc. Declares Dividend on Common Stock

HOUMA, La.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Feb. 4, 2004--Gulf Island Fabrication, Inc. (NASDAQ: GIFI), announced today that its board of directors declared a dividend of \$0.05 per share on Gulf Island Fabrication, Inc.'s approximately 11.8 million shares of common stock outstanding.

The dividend was declared during a regular meeting of the board and is payable February 27, 2004, to shareholders of record on February 17, 2004.

Gulf Island Fabrication, Inc., based in Houma, Louisiana, is a leading fabricator of offshore drilling and production platforms, offshore living quarters and other specialized structures used in the development and production of offshore oil and gas reserves. The company also offers offshore interconnect pipe hook-up, inshore marine construction, manufacture and repair of pressure vessels, and steel warehousing and sales.

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