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): October 26, 2005

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

Louisiana (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 0-22303 (Commission File Number)

72-1147390 (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)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- [] Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- [] Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- [] Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On October 26, 2005, Gulf Island Fabrication, Inc. issued a press release announcing third quarter 2005 earnings. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits

The following exhibit is filed herewith:

Exhibit No.	Description						
99.1	Press	Release	dated	October	26,	2005	

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 Joseph P. Gallagher, III Vice President - Finance, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer (Principal Financial Officer and Duly Authorized Officer)

Dated: October 26, 2005

Gulf Island Fabrication, Inc. Reports Third Quarter Earnings

HOUMA, La.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Oct. 26, 2005--Gulf Island Fabrication, Inc. (NASDAQ:GIFI) today reported net income of \$2.2 million (\$.18 diluted EPS) on revenue of \$37.5 million for its third quarter ended September 30, 2005, compared to net income of \$1.7 million (\$.14 diluted EPS) on revenue of \$35.8 million for the third quarter ended September 30, 2004. Net income for the first nine months of 2005 was \$10.3 million (\$.83 diluted EPS) on revenue of \$147.1 million, compared to net income of \$9.2 million (\$.76 diluted EPS) on revenue of \$128.0 million for the first nine months of 2004.

The company had a revenue backlog of \$105.7 million and a labor backlog of approximately 1.4 million man-hours remaining to work, which consist of work remaining at September 30, 2005 and commitments received since September 30, 2005.

SELECTED BALANCE SHEET INFORMATION (in thousands)

	September 30, 2005	December 31, 2004
Cash and short-term investments	\$41,878	\$40,397
Total current assets	98,140	91,290
Property, plant and equipment, at cost, net	58,748	60,346
Total assets	157,538	152,285
Total current liabilities	12,172	16,076
Debt	0	0
Shareholders' equity	136,156	126,584
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	157 , 538	152,285

The management of Gulf Island Fabrication, Inc. will hold a conference call today, October 26, 2005, at 9:00 a.m. Central Time (10:00 a.m. Eastern Time) to discuss the Company's financial results for the quarter ended September 30, 2005. The call is accessible by webcast (www.gulfisland.com) through CCBN and by dialing 1.800.474.8920. A digital rebroadcast of the call is available two hours after the call and ending November 4, 2005 by dialing 1.888.203.1112, replay passcode: 6724442.

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.

GULF ISLAND FABRICATION, INC. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (UNAUDITED) (in thousands, except per share data)

	Three Months Ended September 30,				Nine Months Ended September 30,			
		2005 2004		2005		2004		
Revenue Cost of revenue		37,475 32,872						
Gross profit General and administrative expenses	_	4,603	3,6	593	19,544	1	17,525	
	_	1,492	1,1	97	4,378	3	3,763	
Operating income		3,111	2,4	96	15,160	5	13,762	
Other income (expense): Interest expense Interest income Other		358	1	68	(45 955 (5	5		
	_	346	1	.63	905	5	370	
Income before income taxes		3,457	2,6	59	16,071	L	14,132	
Income taxes	_	1,245	g 	931	5,786	5	4,946	

Per share data:

Basic earnings per share:	\$	0.18	\$	0.14	\$	0.84	\$	0.76
Diluted income per share:	\$ =	0.18		0.14		0.83	\$ =	0.76
Weighted-average shares Effect of dilutive		12 , 255		12,136		12,231		12,022
securities: employee stock options	_	129		121		122		137
Adjusted weighted- average shares	=	12,384	=	12,257	=	12,353	=	12,159
Depreciation included in expense above	\$	1,587	\$ =	1,525	\$	4,705	\$ =	4,496
Cash dividend declared per common share	\$	0.075	\$ =	0.05	\$	0.225	\$ =	0.15
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