# 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 27, 2011

### GULF ISLAND FABRICATION, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Louisiana0-2230372-1147390(State or other jurisdiction<br/>of incorporation)(Commission<br/>File Number)(IRS Employer<br/>Identification No.)

567 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):
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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

### Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On October 27, 2011, Gulf Island Fabrication, Inc. issued a press release announcing third quarter 2011 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 27, 2011

### **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/ Robin A. Seibert

Robin A. Seibert
Vice President – Finance,
Chief Financial Officer
and Treasurer
(Principal Financial Officer
and Duly Authorized Officer)

Dated: October 27, 2011

#### **Gulf Island Fabrication, Inc. Reports Third Quarter Earnings**

HOUMA, La.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--October 27, 2011--Gulf Island Fabrication, Inc. (NASDAQ: GIFI) today reported a net income of \$1.6 million (\$.11 diluted EPS) on revenue of \$85.8 million for its third quarter ended September 30, 2011, compared to net income of \$3.5 million (\$.24 diluted EPS) on revenue of \$60.7 million for the third quarter ended September 30, 2010. Net loss for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 was \$3.6 million (\$.25 diluted loss per share) on revenue of \$219.4 million, compared to the net income of \$11.4 million (\$.79 diluted EPS) on revenue of \$205.3 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2010. Included in the reported loss was a \$7.7 million pre-tax charge in the first quarter related to the total impairment of an insurance claim.

The company had a revenue backlog of \$664.7 million and a labor backlog of approximately 5.2 million man-hours, consisting of work remaining on commitments received through October 27, 2011.

#### SELECTED BALANCE SHEET INFORMATION

(in thousands)

	September 30,		December 31,		
	2011		2010		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	61,192	\$	88,072	
Total current assets		157,959		130,622	
Property, plant and equipment, at cost,net		214,063		197,652	
Total assets		375,151		334,856	
Total current liabilities		61,992		18,511	
Debt		0		0	
Shareholders' equity		281,749		287,192	
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity		375,151		334,856	

The management of Gulf Island Fabrication, Inc. will hold a conference call on Friday, October 28, 2011 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, 2011. The call is accessible by webcast (<a href="https://www.gulfisland.com">www.gulfisland.com</a>) through CCBN and by dialing 1.888.811.5445. A digital rebroadcast of the call is available two hours after the call and ending November 4, 2011 by dialing 1.888.203.1112, replay passcode: 4512779.

Gulf Island Fabrication, Inc., based in Houma, Louisiana, is a leading fabricator of offshore drilling and production platforms, hull and/or deck sections of floating production platforms and other specialized structures used in the development and production of offshore oil and gas reserves. These structures include jackets and deck sections of fixed production platforms; hull and/or deck sections of floating production platforms (such as tension leg platforms ("TLPs"), "SPARS", "FPSOS", "MinDOCs", piles, wellhead protectors, subsea templates and various production, compressor and utility modules, offshore literate, towboats, liftboats, tanks and barges. The Company also provides offshore interconnect pipe hook-up, inshore marine construction, manufacture and repair of pressure vessels, heavy lifts such as ship integration and TLP module integration, loading and offloading of jack-up drilling rigs, semi-submersible drilling rigs, TLPs, SPARs, or other similar cargo, onshore and offshore scaffolding, piping insulation services, 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,		
		2011		2010	 2011		2010
Revenue Cost of revenue:	\$	85,827	\$	60,733	\$ 219,426	\$	205,282
Cost of revenue.  Contract costs Asset impairments		81,823		53,798	212,454 7,690		184,174
Total cost of revenue	-	81,823		53,798	 220,144		184,174
Gross profit (loss)		4,004		6,935	(718)		21,108
General and administrative expenses		1,910		1,997	5,804		6,084
Operating income (loss)		2,094		4,938	(6,522)		15,024
Other income (expense):							
Interest expense		(48)		(19)	(102)		(57)
Interest income		378		1,044	549		2,363
Other		89		23	 317		1,054
		419	-	1,048	 764		3,360
Income (loss) before income taxes		2,513		5,986	(5,758)		18,384
Income taxes		954		2,524	 (2,188)		6,985
Net income (loss)	\$	1,559	\$	3,462	\$ (3,570)	\$	11,399
Per share data:							
Basic earnings (loss) per share - common shareholders	\$	0.11	\$	0.24	\$ (0.25)	\$	0.79
Diluted earnings (loss) per share - common shareholders	\$	0.11	\$	0.24	\$ (0.25)	\$	0.79
Weighted-average shares		14,351		14,318	14,347		14,316
Effect of dilutive securities: employee stock options  Adjusted weighted-average shares		14,376		14,320	 14,347		14,325
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Depreciation and amortization included in expense above	\$	5,159	\$	4,797	\$ 15,215	\$	14,412
Cash dividend declared per common share	\$	0.06	\$	0.01	\$ 0.18	\$	0.03

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