

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13D

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Oil-Dri Corporation of America  
(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock Par Value \$0.10 Per Share  
(Title of Class and Securities)

677864100  
(CUSIP Number of Class of Securities)

James E. McKee, Gabelli Asset Management Inc.,  
One Corporate Center, Rye, NY 10580-1435 (914) 921-5294  
(Name, Address and Telephone Number of Person Authorized  
to Receive Notices and Communications)

November 22, 2000  
(Date of Event which Requires Filing of this Statement)

If the filing person has previously filed a statement on Schedule  
13G to report the acquisition that is the subject of this Schedule  
13D, and is filing this schedule because of Sections 240.13d-1(e), or  
240.13d-1(f) or 240.13d-1(g), check the following box [ ].

CUSIP No. 677864100 13D

(1) NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS  
I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY)  
Gabelli Funds, LLC I.D. No. 13-4044523

(2) CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP:  
(a)   
(b)

(3) SEC USE ONLY

(4) SOURCE OF FUNDS\*  
00-Funds of investment company clients

(5) CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS  
REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(d) or 2(e)

(6) CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION  
New York

NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH	:	(7) SOLE VOTING POWER
	:	45,000 (Item 5)
	:	
	:	(8) SHARED VOTING POWER
	:	None (Item 5)
	:	
	:	(9) SOLE DISPOSITIVE
	:	POWER
	:	45,000 (Item 5)
	:	
:	(10) SHARED DISPOSITIVE	
:	POWER	
:	None (Item 5)	

(11) AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON  
45,000 (Item 5)

(12) CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW 11  
EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES\*

(13) PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW 11  
1.07%

(14) TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON\*  
IA

\*SEE INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE FILLING OUT!

CUSIP No. 677864100 13D

(1) NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS  
I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY)  
GAMCO Investors, Inc. I.D. No. 13-4044521

(2) CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP:  
(a)   
(b)

(3) SEC USE ONLY

(4) SOURCE OF FUNDS\*  
00-Funds of investment advisory clients

(5) CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS  
REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(d) or 2(e)

(6) CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION  
New York

NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH	:	(7) SOLE VOTING POWER
	:	237,000 (Item 5)
	:	(8) SHARED VOTING POWER
	:	None
	:	(9) SOLE DISPOSITIVE
	:	POWER
	:	237,000 (Item 5)
	:	(10) SHARED DISPOSITIVE
	:	POWER
	:	None

(11) AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON  
237,000 (Item 5)

(12) CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW 11  
EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES\*

(13) PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW 11  
5.66%

(14) TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON\*  
IA, CO

\*SEE INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE FILLING OUT!

CUSIP No. 677864100 13D

(1) NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS  
I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY)  
Gabelli Group Capital Partners, Inc. I.D. No. 13-3056041

(2) CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP:  
(a)



(11) AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON  
None (Item 5)

(12) CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW 11  
EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES\*

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(13) PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW 11  
0.00%

(14) TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON\*  
HC, CO

\*SEE INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE FILLING OUT!

CUSIP No. 677864100

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(1) NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS  
I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY)  
Marc J. Gabelli

(2) CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP:

(a)  / /

(b)  / /

(3) SEC USE ONLY

(4) SOURCE OF FUNDS\*  
None

(5) CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS  
REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(d) or 2(e)

/ /

(6) CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION  
USA

NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH	:	(7) SOLE VOTING POWER
	:	None (Item 5)
	:	
	:	(8) SHARED VOTING POWER
	:	None
	:	
	:	(9) SOLE DISPOSITIVE
	:	POWER
	:	None (Item 5)
	:	
:	(10) SHARED DISPOSITIVE	
:	POWER	
:	None	

(11) AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON  
None (Item 5)

(12) CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW 11  
EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES\*

/ /

(13) PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW 11  
0.00%

(14) TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON\*  
IN

\*SEE INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE FILLING OUT!

CUSIP No. 677864100

13D

(1) NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS  
I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY)  
Mario J. Gabelli

(2) CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP:



beneficial ownership is being reported on the proper form and in order to provide greater investment flexibility and administrative uniformity, these persons have decided to file their beneficial ownership reports on the more detailed Schedule 13D form rather than on the short-form Schedule 13G and thereby to provide more expansive disclosure than may be necessary.

(a), (b) and (c) - This statement is being filed by one or more of the following persons: Gabelli Group Capital Partners, Inc. ("Gabelli Partners"), Gabelli Asset Management Inc. ("GAMI"), Gabelli Funds, LLC ("Gabelli Funds"), GAMCO Investors, Inc. ("GAMCO"), Gabelli Securities, Inc. ("GSI"), Gabelli & Company, Inc. ("Gabelli & Company"), Gabelli Performance Partnership L.P. ("GPP"), GLI, Inc. ("GLI"), Gabelli Associates Fund ("Gabelli Associates"), Gabelli Associates Limited ("GAL"), Gabelli & Company, Inc. Profit Sharing Plan (the "Plan"), Gabelli International Limited ("GIL"), Gabelli International II Limited ("GIL II"), Gabelli International Gold Fund Limited ("GIGFL"), ALCE Partners, L.P. ("ALCE"), Gabelli Multimedia Partners, L.P. ("Multimedia Partners"), MJG Associates, Inc. ("MJG Associates"), Gemini Capital Management Ltd. ("Gemini"), Gabelli Fund, LDC ("LDC"), Gabelli Foundation, Inc. ("Foundation"), Gabelli Global Partners, Ltd. ("GGP Ltd."), Gabelli Global Partners, L.P. ("GGP L.P."), Gabelli European Partners, Ltd. ("GEP Ltd."), Mario Gabelli, Marc Gabelli, Lynch, Spinnaker, Western New Mexico, Entoleter, Lynch Telecom, Lynch Telephone and Inter-Community. Those of the foregoing persons signing this Schedule 13D are hereafter referred to as the "Reporting Persons".

Gabelli Partners makes investments for its own account and is the parent company of GAMI. GAMI, a public company listed on the New York Stock Exchange, is the parent company for a variety of companies engaged in the securities business, each of which is named below.

GAMCO, a wholly-owned subsidiary of GAMI, is an investment adviser registered under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, as amended ("Advisers Act"). GAMCO is an investment manager providing discretionary managed account services for employee benefit plans, private investors, endowments, foundations and others.

GSI, a majority-owned subsidiary of GAMI, acts as a general partner or investment manager to limited partnerships and offshore investment companies and as a part of its business regularly purchases and sells securities for its own account. It is the immediate parent of Gabelli & Company.

Gabelli & Company, a wholly-owned subsidiary of GSI, is a broker-dealer registered under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended ("1934 Act"), which as a part of its business regularly purchases and sells securities for its own account.

GLI, wholly-owned subsidiary of GSI, is a corporation which currently has no active operations.

Gabelli Associates is a New York limited partnership whose primary business purpose is risk arbitrage investments. GSI and Mario Gabelli are the general partners of Gabelli Associates.

GAL is a corporation whose primary business purpose is risk arbitrage investments. Shares of GAL's common stock are offered to persons who are neither citizens nor residents of the United States and may be offered to a limited number of U.S. investors. GSI is the investment manager of GAL.

Gabelli Funds, a wholly-owned subsidiary of GAMI, is a limited liability company. Gabelli Funds is an investment adviser registered under the Advisers Act which presently provides discretionary advisory services to The Gabelli Equity Trust Inc., The Gabelli Asset Fund, The Gabelli Growth Fund, The Gabelli Convertible Securities Fund, Inc., The Gabelli Value Fund Inc., The Gabelli Small Cap Growth Fund, The Gabelli Equity Income Fund, The Gabelli ABC Fund, The Gabelli Global Telecommunications Fund, Gabelli Gold Fund, Inc., The Gabelli Global Multimedia Trust Inc., The Gabelli Global Convertible Securities Fund, Gabelli Capital Asset Fund, Gabelli International Growth Fund, Inc., The Gabelli Global Growth Fund, The Gabelli Utility Trust, The Gabelli Global Opportunity Fund, The Gabelli Utilities Fund and The Gabelli Blue Chip Value Fund (collectively, the "Funds"), which are registered investment companies.

Gabelli Advisers, Inc. ("Gabelli Advisers"), a subsidiary of GAMI, is an investment adviser which provides discretionary advisory services to The Gabelli Westwood Mighty Mitessm Fund.

The Plan, a qualified employee profit sharing plan, covers substantially all employees of GAMI and its affiliates.

GPP is a limited partnership whose primary business

purpose is investing in securities. MJG Associates provides services to GPP, and Mario Gabelli is the general partner and a portfolio manager for GPP.

GIL is a corporation whose primary business purpose is investing in a portfolio of equity securities and securities convertible into, or exchangeable for, equity securities in order to achieve its investment objective of significant long-term growth of capital. Shares of GIL's common stock are offered to persons who are neither citizens nor residents of the United States and may be offered to a limited number of U.S. investors. MJG Associates is the Investment Manager of GIL. Mario Gabelli is a portfolio manager for GIL and Chairman of the Board of Directors of GIL.

GIL II is a corporation whose business purpose is investing primarily in a portfolio of equity securities and securities convertible into, or exchangeable for, equity securities in order to achieve its investment objective of significant long-term growth of capital. Shares of GIL II's common stock are offered to persons who are neither citizens nor residents of the United States and may be offered to a limited number of U.S. investors. MJG Associates is the Investment Manager of GIL II. Mario Gabelli is a portfolio manager and Chairman of the Board of Directors of GIL II.

ALCE is an investment limited partnership that seeks long-term capital appreciation primarily through investments in public and private equity securities. GSI is a general partner of ALCE.

Multimedia Partners is an investment limited partnership whose objective is to provide long-term capital appreciation by investing primarily in public and private multimedia communications companies. GSI is a general partner of Multimedia Partners.

GGP L.P. is a partnership whose primary business purpose is investing in securities on a global basis. Gabelli Securities, Inc. and Gemini Capital Management, LLC are the general partners of GGP L.P. and Marc Gabelli is a portfolio manager for GGP L.P.

GGP Ltd. is a corporation whose primary business purpose is investing in securities on a global basis. Gabelli Securities International Limited and Gemini Capital Management, LLC are the investment advisors of GGP Ltd. and Marc Gabelli is the portfolio manager for GGP Ltd.

GEP Ltd. is a corporation whose primary business purpose is investing in securities of European companies. Gabelli Securities International Limited is the investment advisor of GEP Ltd. and Marc Gabelli is a portfolio manager for GEP Ltd.

LDC is a corporation whose business purpose is investing primarily in a portfolio of equity securities and securities convertible into, or exchangeable for, equity securities in order to achieve its investment objective of significant long-term growth of capital. Interests are offered to insurance companies which do not conduct any business in the United States and which are licensed where they do business. MJG Associates is the Investment Manager of LDC. Mario Gabelli is a portfolio manager for LDC.

MJG Associates provides advisory services to private investment partnerships and offshore funds. Mario Gabelli is the sole shareholder, director and employee of MJG Associates.

Gemini is a corporation whose primary business purpose is to provide advisory services to offshore funds. Marc Gabelli is the President and Chief Investment Officer of Gemini.

The Foundation is a private foundation. Mario Gabelli is the President, a Trustee and the Investment Manager of the Foundation.

Lynch is a public company traded on the American Stock Exchange engaged in manufacturing. Spinnaker, a subsidiary of Lynch, is also a public company and its stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market. Spinnaker is a manufacturing firm with major subsidiaries in specialty adhesive-backed materials business. Interactive is a public company listed on the American Stock Exchange. It is a holding company whose principal subsidiary is Brighton. Brighton is a 100% owned subsidiary of Interactive. Brighton is a holding company with subsidiaries in multimedia and services businesses. Western New Mexico, a subsidiary of Brighton, provides telephone services in a service area in Southwestern New Mexico. Inter-Community, which is also a subsidiary of Brighton, provides local telephone services in an area 40 miles west of Fargo, North Dakota. Lynch and Interactive actively pursue new business ventures and acquisitions.

Mario J. Gabelli is a director, Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer and a substantial shareholder of

Lynch and Interactive.

Mario Gabelli is the majority stockholder and Chairman of the Board of Directors and Chief Executive Officer of Gabelli Partners and GAMI, and the Chief Investment Officer for each of the Reporting Persons which are entities other than Gemini. Gabelli Partners is the majority shareholder of GAMI. GAMI, in turn, is the sole stockholder of GAMCO. GAMI is also the majority stockholder of GSI and the largest shareholder of Gabelli Advisers. Gabelli & Company is a wholly-owned subsidiary of GSI. GLI is a wholly-owned subsidiary of GSI. Marc Gabelli is the majority stockholder of Gemini.

The Reporting Persons do not admit that they constitute a group.

Gabelli Partners, GAMI, GAMCO, Gabelli & Company and GLI are New York corporations and GSI and Gabelli Advisers are Delaware corporations, each having its principal business office at One Corporate Center, Rye, New York 10580. Gabelli Funds is a New York limited liability company having its principal business office at One Corporate Center, Rye, New York 10580. GPP is a New York limited partnership having its principal business office at 401 Theodore Fremd Ave., Rye, New York 10580. MJG Associates is a Connecticut corporation having its principal business office at 401 Theodore Fremd Ave., Rye, New York 10580. Gabelli Associates is a New York limited partnership having its principal business office at One Corporate Center, Rye, New York 10580. Alce and Multimedia Partners and GGP L.P. are Delaware limited partnerships each having its principal business office at One Corporate Center, Rye, New York 10580. GAL and GIL are corporations organized under the laws of the British Virgin Islands, each having its principal business office at c/o Fortis Fund Services (Cayman) Limited, Grand Pavillion, Commercial Centre, 802 West Bay Road, Grand Cayman, British West Indies. GGP Ltd. and GEP Ltd. are corporations organized under the laws of the Cayman Islands, each having its principal place of business at Goldman Sachs (Cayman) Trust, Limited, Harbour Center, 2nd Floor, North Church Street, Grand Cayman, British West Indies. GIL II is a corporation organized under the laws of the British Virgin Islands having its principal business office at c/o Coutts & Company (Cayman) Limited, West Bay Road, Grand Cayman, British West Indies. Gemini is a Bermuda corporation having its principal business office at c/o Appleby, Spurling & Kempe, Cedar House, 41 Cedar Avenue, Hamilton HM12, Bermuda. LDC is a corporation organized under the laws of the British Virgin Islands having its principal business office at c/o Tremont (Bermuda) Limited, Tremont House, 4 Park Road, Hamilton HM II, Bermuda. The Foundation is a private foundation having its principal offices at 165 West Liberty Street, Reno, Nevada 89501. Lynch is an Indiana corporation having its principal business office at 401 Theodore Fremd Avenue, Rye, NY 10580. Spinnaker is a Delaware corporation having its principal business office at 251 Welton Street, Hamden, CT 06511. Lynch and its affiliates make investments in marketable securities to preserve capital and maintain liquidity for financing their business activities and acquisitions (not in the case of Western New Mexico) and are not engaged in the business of investing, reinvesting, or trading in securities. Interactive and Brighton are Delaware corporations each having its principal place of business at 401 Theodore Fremd Avenue, Rye, NY 10580.

For information required by instruction C to Schedule 13D with respect to the executive officers and directors of the foregoing entities and other related persons (collectively, "Covered Persons"), reference is made to Schedule I annexed hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

(f) - Reference is made to Schedule I hereto.

Item 3. Source and Amount of Funds or Other Consideration

The Reporting Persons used an aggregate of approximately \$3,774,420 to purchase the Securities reported as beneficially owned in Item 5 below. GAMCO and Gabelli Funds used approximately \$3,175,920 and \$598,000, respectively, of funds that were provided through the accounts of certain of their investment advisory clients (and, in the case of some of such accounts at GAMCO, may be through borrowings from client margin accounts) in order to purchase the Securities for such clients.

Item 4. Purpose of Transaction

Each of the Reporting Persons, with the exceptions of Lynch and its affiliates, has purchased and holds the Securities reported by it for investment for one or more accounts over which it has shared, sole, or both investment and/or voting power, for its own account, or both.

The Reporting Persons, with the exceptions of Lynch and its affiliates, are engaged in the business of securities



analysis and investment and pursue an investment philosophy of identifying undervalued situations. In pursuing this investment philosophy, the Reporting Persons analyze the operations, capital structure and markets of companies in which they invest, including the Issuer, on a continuous basis through analysis of documentation and discussions with knowledgeable industry and market observers and with representatives of such companies (often at the invitation of management). The Reporting Persons do not believe they possess material inside information concerning the Issuer. As a result of these analytical activities one or more of the Reporting Persons may issue analysts reports, participate in interviews or hold discussions with third parties or with management in which the Reporting Person may suggest or take a position with respect to potential changes in the operations, management or capital structure of such companies as a means of enhancing shareholder values. Such suggestions or positions may relate to one or more of the transactions specified in clauses (a) through (j) of Item 4 of the Schedule 13D form, including, without limitation, such matters as disposing of one or more businesses, selling the company or acquiring another company or business, changing operating or marketing strategies, adopting or not adopting, certain types of anti-takeover measures and restructuring the company's capitalization or dividend policy.

Each of the Reporting Persons intends to adhere to the foregoing investment philosophy with respect to the Issuer. However, none of the Reporting Persons intends to seek control of the Issuer or participate in the management of the Issuer, and any Reporting Person that is registered as an investment company under the 1940 Act will participate in such a transaction only following receipt of an exemption from the SEC under Rule 17D-1 under the 1940 Act, if required, and in accordance with other applicable law. In pursuing this investment philosophy, each Reporting Person will continuously assess the Issuer's business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects, general economic conditions, the securities markets in general and those for the Issuer's securities in particular, other developments and other investment opportunities, as well as the investment objectives and diversification requirements of its shareholders or clients and its fiduciary duties to such shareholders or clients. Depending on such assessments, one or more of the Reporting Persons may acquire additional Securities or may determine to sell or otherwise dispose of all or some of its holdings of Securities. Although the Reporting Persons share the same basic investment philosophy and although portfolio decisions are made by or under the supervision of Mario Gabelli, the investment objectives and diversification requirements of various clients differ from those of other clients so that one or more Reporting Persons may be acquiring Securities while others are disposing of Securities.

With respect to voting of the Securities, the Reporting Persons have adopted general voting policies relating to voting on specified issues affecting corporate governance and shareholder values. Under these policies, the Reporting Persons generally vote all securities over which they have voting power in favor of cumulative voting, financially reasonable golden parachutes, one share one vote, management cash incentives and pre-emptive rights and against greenmail, poison pills, supermajority voting, blank check preferred stock and super-dilutive stock options. Exceptions may be made when management otherwise demonstrates superior sensitivity to the needs of shareholders. In the event that the aggregate voting position of all joint filers shall exceed 25% of the total voting position of the issuer then the proxy voting committees of each of the Funds shall vote their Fund's shares independently.

Each of the Covered Persons who is not a Reporting Person has purchased the Securities reported herein as beneficially owned by him for investment for his own account or that of one or more members of his immediate family. Each such person may acquire additional Securities or dispose of some or all of the Securities reported herein with respect to him.

Other than as described above, none of the Reporting Persons and none of the Covered Persons who is not a Reporting Person has any present plans or proposals which relate to or would result in any transaction, change or event specified in clauses (a) through (j) of Item 4 of the Schedule 13D.

Item 5. Interest In Securities Of The Issuer

(a) The aggregate number and percentage of Securities to which this Schedule 13D relates is 282,000 shares, representing 6.73% of the 4,188,666 shares reported as being outstanding (less treasury shares) in the Issuer's most recently

filed Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended July 31, 2000. The Reporting Persons beneficially own those Securities as follows:

Name	Shares of Common Stock	% of Class of Common
Gabelli Funds:		
As Principal	0	0.00%
As Agent	45,000	1.07%
GAMCO:		
As Principal	0	0.00%
As Agent	237,000	5.66%
Marc Gabelli	0	0.00%
Mario Gabelli	0	0.00%

Mario Gabelli is deemed to have beneficial ownership of the Securities owned beneficially by each of the foregoing persons other than Marc Gabelli. GAMI and Gabelli Partners are deemed to have beneficial ownership of the Securities owned beneficially by each the foregoing persons other than Mario Gabelli and Marc Gabelli.

(b) Each of the Reporting Persons and Covered Persons has the sole power to vote or direct the vote and sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of the Securities reported for it, either for its own benefit or for the benefit of its investment clients or its partners, as the case may be, except that (i) Gabelli Funds has sole dispositive and voting power with respect to the shares of the Issuer held by the Funds so long as the aggregate voting interest of all joint filers does not exceed 25% of their total voting interest in the Issuer and, in that event, the Proxy Voting Committee of each Fund shall respectively vote that Fund's shares, (ii) at any time, the Proxy Voting Committee of each such Fund may take and exercise in its sole discretion the entire voting power with respect to the shares held by such fund under special circumstances such as regulatory considerations, and (iii) the power of Mario Gabelli, Marc Gabelli, MJG Associates, GAMI and Gabelli Partners is indirect with respect to Securities beneficially owned directly by other Reporting Persons.

(c) Information with respect to all transactions in the Securities which were effected during the past sixty days or since the most recent filing on Schedule 13D, whichever is less, by each of the Reporting Persons and Covered Persons is set forth

on Schedule II annexed hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

(d) The investment advisory clients of Gabelli Funds, Gabelli Advisers, GAMCO, MJG Associates and Gemini, the partners of the various partnerships managed by Mario Gabelli and GSI (including GPP, Gabelli Associates, ALCE, and Multimedia Partners to the extent of their economic interest there-in) and the shareholders of GIL, GIL II and LDC which Mario Gabelli manages and GAL which is managed by GSI have the sole right to receive and, subject to the notice, withdrawal and/or termination provisions of such advisory contracts and partnership arrangements, the sole power to direct the receipt of dividends from, and the proceeds of sale of, any of the Securities beneficially owned by such Reporting Persons. Except as noted, no such client or partner has an interest by virtue of such relationship that relates to more than 5% of the Securities.

(e) Not applicable.

Item 6. Contracts, Arrangements, Understandings or Relationships with Respect to Securities of the Issuer

The powers of disposition and voting of Gabelli Funds, Gabelli Advisers, GAMCO, MJG Associates and Gemini with respect to Securities owned beneficially by them on behalf of their investment advisory clients, of Mario Gabelli and GSI with respect to Securities owned beneficially by them on behalf of the partnerships which they directly or indirectly manage, and of GIL, GIL II, GAL, LDC and GIGFL with respect to Securities owned beneficially by them on behalf of their shareholders, are held pursuant to written agreements with such clients and partnerships.

Item 7. Material to be Filed as an Exhibit

The following Exhibit A is attached hereto. The following Exhibit B is incorporated by reference to Exhibit B in the Amendment No. 18 to Schedule 13D filed by certain of the Reporting Persons with respect to Hector Communications Corporation.

Exhibit A: Joint Filing Agreement

Exhibit B: Power of Attorney to Stephen G. Bondi, Peter D. Goldstein, and James E. McKee from Robert E. Dolan.

Power of Attorney to Stephen G. Bondi, Peter D. Goldstein, and James E. McKee from Robert E. Dolan.

Power of Attorney to Stephen G. Bondi, Peter D. Goldstein, and James E. McKee from Mario J. Gabelli.

Power of Attorney to Stephen G. Bondi, Peter D. Goldstein, and James E. McKee from Marc J. Gabelli.

Signature

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated: December 4, 2000

MARIO J. GABELLI  
MARC J. GABELLI

By:/s/\_\_\_\_\_  
James E. McKee  
Attorney-in-Fact

GABELLI GROUP CAPITAL PARTNERS, INC.  
GABELLI ASSET MANAGEMENT INC.  
GABELLI FUNDS, LLC

By:/s/\_\_\_\_\_  
James E. McKee  
Secretary

GAMCO INVESTORS, INC.

By:/s/\_\_\_\_\_  
Douglas R. Jamieson  
Executive Vice President

SCHEDULE II  
INFORMATION WITH RESPECT TO  
TRANSACTIONS EFFECTED DURING THE PAST SIXTY DAYS OR  
SINCE THE MOST RECENT FILING ON SCHEDULE 13D (1)

DATE	SHARES PURCHASED SOLD(-)	AVERAGE PRICE(2)
COMMON STOCK-OIL DRI CORP AMER		
GAMCO INVESTORS, INC.		
11/27/00	3,000	9.5000
11/24/00	4,000	9.2000
11/22/00	3,000	8.7292
11/21/00	5,000	8.5000
11/20/00	2,000	7.5893
11/20/00	5,000	7.5893

(1) UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED, ALL TRANSACTIONS WERE EFFECTED ON THE NYSE.

(2) PRICE EXCLUDES COMMISSION.

EXHIBIT A

JOINT FILING AGREEMENT

In accordance with Rule 13d-1(f) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the undersigned hereby agree to the joint filing with all other Reporting Entities (as such term is defined in the Schedule 13D referred to below) on behalf of each of them of a statement on Schedule 13D (including amendments thereto) with respect to the Common Stock, \$0.10 par value per share, of Oil-Dri Corporation of America and that this Agreement be included as an Exhibit to such joint filing. This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts all of which taken together shall constitute one and the same instrument.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned hereby execute this Agreement this 4th day of December, 2000.

MARIO J. GABELLI  
MARC J. GABELLI  
GABELLI PERFORMANCE PARTNERSHIP, L. P.  
GABELLI INTERNATIONAL LIMITED  
GABELLI INTERNATIONAL II LIMITED  
GABELLI FUND, LDC  
GABELLI FOUNDATION, INC.  
GEMINI CAPITAL MANAGEMENT LIMITED

By: /s/ \_\_\_\_\_  
James E. McKee  
Attorney-in-Fact

GABELLI GROUP CAPITAL PARTNERS, INC.  
GABELLI ASSET MANAGEMENT INC.  
GABELLI FUNDS, LLC  
GABELLI SECURITIES, INC.  
GLI, INC.  
GABELLI & COMPANY, INC.

By:/s/\_\_\_\_\_  
James E. McKee  
Secretary

ALCE PARTNERS, L.P.  
GABELLI MULTIMEDIA PARTNERS, L.P.  
GABELLI GLOBAL PARTNERS, L.P.  
GABELLI GLOBAL PARTNERS, LTD.  
GABELLI ASSOCIATES FUND  
GABELLI ASSOCIATES LIMITED

By:/s/\_\_\_\_\_  
James E. McKee  
Secretary of Gabelli Securities Inc.

LYNCH CORPORATION  
SPINNAKER INDUSTRIES, INC.  
BRIGHTON COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION  
LYNCH INTERACTIVE CORPORATION  
WESTERN NEW MEXICO  
INTER-COMMUNITY TELEPHONE COMPANY

By:/s/\_\_\_\_\_  
James E. McKee  
Attorney-in-Fact

GABELLI & COMPANY, INC.  
PROFIT SHARING PLAN

By:/s/\_\_\_\_\_  
Douglas R. Jamieson  
Trustee

GAMCO INVESTORS, INC.

By:/s/\_\_\_\_\_  
Douglas R. Jamieson  
Executive Vice President