NEWFIELD EXPLORATION CO /DE/ Form 8-K May 14, 2007

# 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): May 14, 2007

NEWFIELD EXPLORATION COMPANY (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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**Delaware** (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

1-12534 (Commission File Number)

**72-1133047** (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

363 N. Sam Houston Parkway E., Suite 2020 Houston, Texas 77060

(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (281) 847-6000

## **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:

o Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
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 (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

## Items 1.01 (Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement) and 8.01 (Other Events)

On May 14, 2007, Newfield Exploration Company issued a press release announcing the signing of an agreement to acquire Stone Energy Corporation's Rocky Mountain assets for \$575 million and its approval of a significant asset divestiture program. A copy of the press release is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1.

## Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

- (d) Exhibits
  - 99.1 Press release issued by Newfield Exploration Company on May 14, 2007.

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## **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this Form 8-K to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

## NEWFIELD EXPLORATION COMPANY

Date: May 14, 2007 By: /s/ TERRY W. RATHERT

Terry W. Rathert

Senior Vice President and Chief

Financial Officer

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## **Exhibit Index**

## **Exhibit No.** Description

99.1 Press release issued by Newfield Exploration Company on May 14, 2007.