NEWFIELD EXPLORATION CO /DE/ Form 8-K June 21, 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): June 21, 2007

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

**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:

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 (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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

On June 21, 2007, Newfield Exploration Company issued a press release announcing the signing of a purchase and sale agreement to sell all of its producing properties in the shallow water Gulf of Mexico to McMoRan Exploration Co. (NYSE: MMR) for a total cash consideration of \$1.1 billion and the assumption of liabilities associated with future abandonment of wells and platforms. 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 June 21, 2007.

### 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: June 21, 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 June 21, 2007.