NEWFIELD EXPLORATION CO /DE/ Form 8-K March 30, 2006

# 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): March 29, 2006

**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:

- o Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- o Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)

| o | Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b)) |
|---|--|
| O | Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c)) |
|   |  |
|   |  |
|   |  |

## **Item 8.01 Other Events**

On March 29, 2006, Newfield issued a press release announcing that it had priced \$550 million of Senior Subordinated Notes due 2016, which will carry an annual interest rate of 6 5/8%. A copy of the press release is filed herewith as Exhibit 99.1.

## **Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits**

- (d) Exhibits
  - 99.1 Press release issued by Newfield Exploration Company on March 29, 2006.

## **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: March 30, 2006 By: /s/ TERRY W. RATHERT

Terry W. Rathert

Senior Vice President and Chief

Financial Officer

3

## **Exhibit Index**

# **Exhibit No.** Description

99.1 Press release issued by Newfield Exploration Company on March 29, 2006.