ENERGY PARTNERS LTD Form 8-K September 07, 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): September 7, 2006

ENERGY PARTNERS, LTD.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of

001-16179

72-1409562

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

(Commission file number)

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

201 St. Charles Avenue, Suite 3400 New Orleans, Louisiana 70170

(Address of principal executive offices)

(504) 569-1875

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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

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Item 8.01 Other Events

On September 7, 2006, Energy Partners, Ltd. (the "Company") initiated an action to get confirmation from the Delaware Chancery Court of the Company's understanding of its ability to act under the terms of its agreement and plan of merger with Stone Energy Corporation, dated as of June 22, 2006. A copy of the complaint is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

Additional Information

EPL AND STONE HAVE FILED A JOINT PROXY STATEMENT/PROSPECTUS AND OTHER DOCUMENTS WITH THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION. INVESTORS AND SECURITY HOLDERS ARE URGED TO READ CAREFULLY THE DEFINITIVE JOINT PROXY STATEMENT/PROSPECTUS WHEN IT BECOMES AVAILABLE BECAUSE IT WILL CONTAIN IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING EPL, STONE AND THE ACQUISITION. A DEFINITIVE JOINT PROXY STATEMENT/PROSPECTUS WILL BE SENT TO SECURITY HOLDERS OF EPL AND STONE SEEKING THEIR APPROVAL OF THE ACQUISITION.

The documents filed with the SEC by EPL may be obtained free of charge from EPL's website at www.eplweb.com or by directing a request to: Energy Partners, Ltd., 201 St. Charles Avenue, Suite 3400, New Orleans, Louisiana 70170, Attn: Secretary, (504) 569-1875. In addition, the documents filed with the SEC by Stone may be obtained free of charge from Stone website at www.stoneenergy.com or by directing a request to: Stone Energy Corporation, 625 E. Kaliste Saloom Road, Lafayette, Louisiana 70508, Attn: Kenneth Beer, (337) 237-0410. Investors and security holders are urged to read the definitive joint proxy statement/prospectus and the other relevant materials when they become available before making any voting or investment decision with respect to the proposed acquisition.

EPL, Stone and their respective executive officers and directors may be deemed to be participants in the solicitation of proxies from the stockholders of EPL and Stone in favor of the acquisition. Information about the executive officers and directors of EPL and their direct or indirect interests, by security holdings or otherwise, in the acquisition will be set forth in the definitive proxy statement-prospectus relating to the acquisition when it becomes available. Information about the executive officers and directors of Stone and their direct or indirect interests, by security holdings or otherwise, in the acquisition will be set forth in the definitive proxy statement-prospectus relating to the acquisition when it becomes available.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

Exhibit. The following exhibit is filed herewith:

Exhibit No. Description

99.1

Complaint filed with the Delaware Chancery Court on September 7, 2006.

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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.

Dated: September 7, 2006

ENERGY PARTNERS, LTD.

By: /s/ John H. Peper
John H. Peper
Executive Vice President, General
Counsel and Corporate Secretary