CONTINENTAL RESOURCES, INC Form 8-K April 05, 2013

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): April 3, 2013

CONTINENTAL RESOURCES, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Oklahoma (State or other jurisdiction of

001-32886 (Commission 73-0767549 (I.R.S. Employer

incorporation or organization)

File Number)

Identification No.)

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20 N. Broadway

Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73102
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)
Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (405) 234-9000

(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	er any of
the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):	

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

Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

On April 3, 2013, Continental Resources, Inc. (the Company), entered into Amendment No. 2 (Amendment No. 2) to the Seventh Amended and Restated Credit Agreement dated June 30, 2010, among the Company, as borrower, Banner Pipeline Company LLC and CLR Asset Holdings, LLC as guarantors, Union Bank, N.A., as administrative agent and issuing lender, and the other lenders party thereto (as amended prior to Amendment No. 2, the 2010 Credit Agreement and together with Amendment No. 2 the Credit Agreement). Capitalized terms used in this Form 8-K, but not otherwise defined have the meanings assigned to them under the Credit Agreement.

Amendment No. 2 includes, among other things, the following material changes to the 2010 Credit Agreement:

Allowing the Company to elect to convert to an Additional Covenant Period (which suspends the need to comply with Borrowing Base requirements during the effectiveness of such period), if either Moody s or S&P rate the Company s Index Debt at or above Ba1 (in the case of Moody s) or BB+ (in the case of S&P);

Allowing the Company to elect to release the Collateral consisting of the Oil and Gas Properties if either Moody s or S&P rate the Company s Index Debt at or above Baa3 (in the case of Moody s) or BBB- (in the case of S&P) (collectively, referred to herein as the Collateral Release Ratings), but requiring the Company to continue certain reporting requirements and maintain a ratio of (a) the Present Value as of the most recent determination thereof to (b) all Funded Debt of the Company and its Subsidiaries of not less than 1.75 to 1 (referred to herein as the Present Value Covenant) during the period that only one of Moody s or S&P has issued a rating at or above the Collateral Release Ratings;

Providing that if at least one of Moody s or S&P has not rated the Company s Index Debt at or above the Collateral Release Ratings, the Company must provide an Acceptable Security Interest in the lesser of (i) Oil and Gas Properties of the Company representing 80% of the Present Value of such Oil and Gas Properties as determined by the most recently delivered Engineering Report and (ii) such of the Company s Proven Reserves and associated Oil and Gas Properties, as determined by the most recently delivered Engineering Report, sufficient to provide a Collateral Coverage Ratio of at least 1.75 to 1; and

Providing that if both Moody s and S&P rate the Company s Index Debt at or above the Collateral Release Ratings, the Company is not required to comply with certain reporting requirements and the Present Value Covenant and that the Company will again be required to comply with such reporting requirements and the Present Value Covenant at such time as both Moody s and S&P do not rate the Company s Index Debt at or above the Collateral Release Ratings.

The foregoing summary is qualified in its entirety by reference to Amendment No. 2, a copy of which is filed as Exhibit 10.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated in this Item 1.01 by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No. Description

10.1

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SIGNATURE

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 thereunto duly authorized.

CONTINENTAL RESOURCES, INC.

(Registrant)

Date: April 5, 2013

By: /s/ John D. Hart

John D. Hart

Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer

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