

NEWFIELD EXPLORATION CO /DE/  
Form 8-K  
October 20, 2010

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UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

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FORM 8-K

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CURRENT REPORT  
Pursuant to Section 13 OR 15(d) of the  
Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): October 20, 2010

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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 100  
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)
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  - o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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#### Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On October 20, 2010, Newfield Exploration Company (“Newfield”) issued a press release providing a detailed update on operations in its core operating regions. A copy of the press release is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1.

On October 20, 2010, Newfield issued a press release announcing its third quarter 2010 operating results, fourth quarter and full-year 2010 earnings guidance and updating its 2010 outlook. A copy of the press release is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.2.

The information, including exhibits attached hereto, in Item 2.02 of this Current Report is being furnished and shall not be deemed “filed” for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that Section. The information in Item 2.02 of this Current Report shall not be incorporated by reference into any registration statement or other document pursuant to the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, except as otherwise expressly stated in such filing.

#### Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure

On October 20, 2010, Newfield also issued its @NFX publication, which includes third quarter 2010 highlights, an operational update by region, fourth quarter 2010 guidance, and tables detailing complete hedging positions as of October 19, 2010. A copy of the publication is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.3.

The information, including exhibits attached hereto, in Item 7.01 of this Current Report is being furnished and shall not be deemed “filed” for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that Section. The information in Item 7.01 of this Current Report shall not be incorporated by reference into any registration statement or other document pursuant to the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, except as otherwise expressly stated in such filing.

#### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

##### (d) Exhibits

99.1 Operational Press Release issued by Newfield on October 20, 2010

99.2 Earnings Press Release issued by Newfield on October 20, 2010

99.3 @ NFX Publication issued by Newfield on October 20, 2010

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.

NEWFIELD EXPLORATION COMPANY

Date: October 20, 2010

By:

/S/ Brian L. Rickmers  
Brian L. Rickmers  
Controller

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