

WHITING PETROLEUM CORP  
Form 8-K  
February 20, 2014

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): February 20, 2014  
Whiting Petroleum Corporation

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware  
(State or other  
jurisdiction of  
incorporation)

1-31899  
(Commission File  
Number)

20-0098515  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

1700 Broadway, Suite 2300, Denver, Colorado 80290-2300

(Address of principal executive offices, including ZIP code)

(303) 837-1661

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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- .. Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 C.F.R. §240.13e-4(c))

**Item 5.03. Amendments to Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws; Change in Fiscal Year.**

On February 20, 2014, the Board of Directors (the Board ) of Whiting Petroleum Corporation (the Company ) adopted Amended and Restated By-laws of the Company (the By-laws ). The By-laws include amendments to Article III, Section 6, which relates to the term, resignation and removal of directors, to permit D. Sherwin Artus, a director of the Company, to be eligible to stand for re-election to the Board at the Company s 2014 annual meeting of shareholders for one three year-year term after attaining 75 years of age. A copy of the By-laws is filed herewith as Exhibit 3.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(a) Not applicable.

(b) Not applicable.

(c) Not applicable.

(d) Exhibits:

(3.1) Amended and Restated By-laws of Whiting Petroleum Corporation, effective February 20, 2014.

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.

WHITING PETROLEUM CORPORATION

Date: February 20, 2014

By: /s/ James J. Volker  
James J. Volker  
Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

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