

NEWFIELD EXPLORATION CO /DE/
Form 8-K
December 29, 2008

**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): December 23, 2008

**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:

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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 December 23, 2008, Newfield Exploration Company (Newfield) signed an interim agreement to resume oil sales with Big West Oil Co. LLC, a subsidiary of Flying J Inc., for deliveries of black wax production from Newfield s Monument Butte oil field in the Uinta Basin of the Rockies. 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 on December 24, 2008

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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.

NEWFIELD EXPLORATION COMPANY

Date: December 26, 2008

By: /s/ Terry W. Rathert
Terry W. Rathert
Senior Vice President and Chief Financial
Officer

Exhibit Index

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press Release issued by Newfield on December 24, 2008