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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 2, 2012

MURPHY OIL CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction

1-8590 (Commission

71-0361522 (IRS Employer

of incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

200 Peach Street

P.O. Box 7000, El Dorado, Arkansas (Address of principal executive offices) Registrant s telephone number, including area code 870-862-6411 71731-7000 (Zip 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))

Item 5.03. Compensatory Arrangement of Certain Officers

On February 2, 2012, Murphy Oil Corporation issued a press release announcing the promotion of Bill Stobaugh to Executive Vice President, Corporate Planning & Business Development. Mr. Stobaugh s compensatory arrangement set by the Executive Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors of the Company includes an annual salary of \$495,000 and a target bonus equal to 85% of annual salary under the Company s 2007 Annual Incentive Plan.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(c) Exhibits

99.1 A news release dated February 2, 2012 announcing the promotion of Bill Stobaugh to Executive Vice President, Corporate Planning & Business Development.

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 hereunto duly authorized.

MURPHY OIL CORPORATION

By: /s/ Kevin G. Fitzgerald Kevin G. Fitzgerald

Executive Vice President and

Chief Financial Officer

Date: February 2, 2012

Exhibit Index

99.1 News release dated February 2, 2012, as issued by Murphy Oil Corporation.