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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE TO

(Rule 14d-100)

Tender Offer Statement under Section 14(d)(1) or 13(e)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

KERR-MCGEE CORPORATION

(Name of Subject Company (Issuer))

KERR-MCGEE CORPORATION (ISSUER)

(Name of Filing Persons (identifying status as offeror, issuer or other person))

Common Stock, par value \$1.00 per share

(Title of Class of Securities)

492386107

(CUSIP Number of Class of Securities)

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This Tender Offer Statement on Schedule TO relates to pre-commencement communications in connection with the planned tender offer by Kerr-McGee Corporation ("Kerr-McGee") to purchase up to 43,500,000 shares of its common stock, par value \$1.00 per share (including the associated preferred stock purchase rights) (the "Shares"), or such lesser number of Shares as is tendered and not properly withdrawn, at a price determined by the Company between \$85.00 and \$92.00 per share, without interest. This Schedule TO is intended to satisfy the reporting requirements of Rule 13e-4(c)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

Items	1-11.

Not applicable.

Item 12. Exhibits.

1.

Notice to Savings Investment Plan participants sent on April 15, 2005.

Item 13. Information Required by Schedule 13E-3.

Not applicable.

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Exhibit Number	Description of Document
12.1	Notice to Savings Investment Plan participants sent on April 15, 2005.

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