KERR MCGEE CORP /DE Form 8-K July 26, 2005

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

July 26, 2005 (Date of Report - Date of earliest event reported)

KERR-McGEE CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 1-16619 73-1612389
(State of Incorporation) (Commission File Number) (IRS Employer Ident

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No.)

Kerr-McGee Center
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73125
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(405) 270-1313 (Registrant's telephone number)

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Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers

Robert O. Lorenz was elected to the Company's Board of Directors effective July 26, 2005. It is expected that Mr. Lorenz will be appointed to the Company's Audit and Executive Compensation Committees.

A copy of the press release announcing Mr. Lorenz's election is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(c) Exhibits

99.1 Press Release dated July 26, 2005

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.

KERR-MCGEE CORPORATION

By: (John M. Rauh) John M. Rauh

Vice President and Controller

Dated: July 26, 2005

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99.1 Press Release, dated July 26, 2005.