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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 24, 2005 Whiting Petroleum Corporation (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter) 1-31899 20-0098515 Delaware (State or other (Commission File (IRS Employer iurisdiction of Number) Identification No.) incorporation) 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) 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: Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)

Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b)) Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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On February 24, 2005, Whiting Petroleum Corporation (the Company) issued a press release announcing its financial and operating results for the three and twelve months ended December 31, 2004. A copy of such press release is furnished as Exhibit 99 and is incorporated by reference herein.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (a) Financial Statements of Businesses Acquired. Not applicable.
- (b) <u>Pro Forma Financial Information</u>. Not applicable.
- (c) Exhibits:
 - (99) Press Release of Whiting Petroleum Corporation, dated February 24, 2005.

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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.

WHITING PETROLEUM CORPORATION

Date: February 24, 2005 By: /s/ James J. Volker

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WHITING PETROLEUM CORPORATION

James J. Volker Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer

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