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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): January 25, 2012

MURPHY OIL CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 1-8590 (Commission File Number) 71-0361522 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

200 Peach Street

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

(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 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition

The following information is furnished pursuant to Item 2.02, Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On January 25, 2012, Murphy Oil Corporation issued a news release announcing its preliminary financial results for the fourth quarter and year that ended on December 31, 2011. The full text of this news release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

- (d) Exhibits
- 99.1 A news release dated January 25, 2012 announcing preliminary financial results for the fourth quarter and year that ended on December 31, 2011 is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

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/ John W. Eckart John W. Eckart Senior Vice President and Controller

Date: January 25, 2012

Exhibit Index

99.1 News release dated January 25, 2012, as issued by Murphy Oil Corporation.