MARATHON OIL CORP Form 8-K May 18, 2006

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):

May 15, 2006

Marathon Oil Corporation

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware	1-5153	25-0996816
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)
5555 San Felipe Road, Houston, Texas		77056
(Address of principal executive offices)		(Zip Code)
Registrant s telephone number, including area code:		(713) 629-6600
	Not Applicable	
Former na	me or former address, if changed since l	ast report
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Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

On May 15, 2006, pursuant to authority set forth in the respective plans, Ms. Eileen M. Campbell, Vice President of Human Resources of Marathon Oil Company, executed First Amendments (the "Amendments") to the Marathon Oil Company Deferred Compensation Plan and the Marathon Oil Company Excess Benefit Plan (the "Plans").

The Amendments have been executed in response to the Corporation's acquisition of Ashland, Inc.'s interest in Marathon Ashland Petroleum, LLC, now known as Marathon Petroleum Company LLC ("MPC"). The purpose of the Amendments is to revise the eligibility provisions of the Plans so that certain Marathon Oil Company officers who were grandfathered into the Plans as of August 27, 2003, are eligible to participate in the same manner and to the same extent as MPC officers.

The full text of the Amendments is attached hereto as Exhibit 10.1. The preceding summary is qualified in entirely to, and should be read in conjunction with, such exhibit.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits.

10.1 First Amendment to the Marathon Oil Company Excess Benefit Plan, effective June 1, 2006 and First Amendment to the Marathon Oil Company Deferred Compensation Plan, effective June 1, 2006.

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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.

Marathon Oil Corporation

May 18, 2006 By: Michael K. Stewart

Name: Michael K. Stewart

Title: Vice President, Accounting and Controller

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