PIONEER NATURAL RESOURCES CO Form SC 13G December 09, 2004

UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13G

UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

(Amendment No. __)

PIONEER NATURAL RESOURCES COMPANY

(Name of Issuer)

COMMON STOCK, PAR VALUE \$0.01 PER SHARE

(Title of Class of Securities)

723787107

(CUSIP Number)

November 29, 2004

(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)

" Rule 13d-1(b)			
x Rule 13d-1(c)			
" Rule 13d-1(d)			

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1. NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS

I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY)

Highfields Capital Management LP

- 2. CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)
 - (a) "
 - (b) "
- 3. SEC USE ONLY
- 4. CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

Delaware

5. SOLE VOTING POWER

NUMBER OF	8,293,011	
SHARES	6. SHARED VOTING POWER	
BENEFICIALLY		
OWNED BY	0	
EACH	7. SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER	
REPORTING		
PERSON	8,293,011	
WITH	8. SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER	

0

9. AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

8,293,011

11. PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW 9

5.7%

12. TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)

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Highfields GP LLC

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NUMBER OF	8,293,011	
SHARES	6. SHARED VOTING POWER	
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PERSON	8,293,011	
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Jonathon S. Jacobson

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United States

5. SOLE VOTING POWER

NUMBER OF	8,293,011	
SHARES	6. SHARED VOTING POWER	
BENEFICIALLY		
OWNED BY	0	
EACH	7. SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER	
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PERSON	8,293,011	
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8,293,011

11. PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW 9

5.7%

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I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY)

Richard L. Grubman

- 2. CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)
 - (a) "
 - (b) "
- 3. SEC USE ONLY
- 4. CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

United States

5. SOLE VOTING POWER

NUMBER OF	8,293,011	
SHARES	6. SHARED VOTING POWER	
BENEFICIALLY		
OWNED BY	0	
EACH	7. SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER	
REPORTING		
PERSON	8,293,011	
WITH	8. SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER	

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9. AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

8,293,011

11. PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW 9

5.7%

12. TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)

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Item 1(a). Name of Issuer:

Pioneer Natural Resources Company (the Issuer)

Item 1(b). Address of Issuer s Principal Executive Offices:

5205 N. O Connor Blvd., Suite 900, Irving, Texas 75039

Item 2(a). Name of Person Filing:

This statement is being filed by the following persons with respect to the shares of Common Stock of the Issuer directly owned by Highfields Capital I LP (Highfields I), Highfields Capital II LP (Highfields II) and Highfields Capital Ltd. (collectively, the Funds):

- (i) Highfields Capital Management LP, a Delaware limited partnership (Highfields Capital Management) and investment manager to each of the Funds,
- (ii) Highfields GP LLC, a Delaware limited liability company (Highfields GP) and the General Partner of Highfields Capital Management,
- (iii) Jonathon S. Jacobson, a Managing Member of Highfields GP, and
- (iv) Richard L. Grubman, a Managing Member of Highfields GP.

Highfields Capital Management, Highfields GP, Mr. Jacobson and Mr. Grubman are sometimes individually referred to herein as a Reporting Person and collectively as the Reporting Persons.

Item 2(b). Address of Principal Business Office or, if None, Residence:

Address for Highfields Capital Management, Highfields GP, Mr. Jacobson and Mr. Grubman:

c/o Highfields Capital Management

John Hancock Tower

200 Clarendon Street, 51st Floor

Boston, Massachusetts 02116

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Item 2(c). Citizenship:

Highfields Capital Management Delaware

Highfields GP Delaware

Jonathon S. Jacobson United States

Richard L. Grubman United States

Item 2(d). Title of Class of Securities:

Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share

Item 2(e). CUSIP Number:

723787107

Item 3. Not applicable.

Item 4. Ownership.

Provide the following information regarding the aggregate number and percentage of the class of securities of the issuer identified in Item 1.

For Highfields Capital Management, Highfields GP, Mr. Jacobson and Mr. Grubman:

- (a) Amount beneficially owned: 8,293,011 shares of Common Stock
- (b) Percent of class: 5.7%
- (c) Number of shares as to which such person has:
- (i) Sole power to vote or to direct the vote: 8,293,011
- (ii) Shared power to vote or to direct the vote: 0
- (iii) Sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of: 8,293,011
- (iv) Shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of: 0

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Item 5. Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class.

Not applicable.

Item 6. Ownership of More than Five Percent on Behalf of Another Person.

The shares beneficially owned by Highfields Capital Management, Highfields GP, Mr. Jacobson and Mr. Grubman are beneficially owned by the Funds. Each of Highfields I, Highfields II and Highfields Capital Ltd. individually own less than 5% of the shares. Highfields Capital Management serves as the investment manager to each of the Funds. Each of Highfields Capital Management, Highfields GP, Mr. Jacobson and Mr. Grubman has the power to direct the dividends from or the proceeds of the sale of the shares owned by the Funds.

Item 7. Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary Which Acquired the Security Being Reported on by the Parent Holding Company.

Not applicable.

Item 8. Identification and Classification of Members of the Group.

Not applicable.

Item 9. Notice of Dissolution of Group.

Not applicable.

Item 10. Certification.

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

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SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

December 9, 2004 Date HIGHFIELDS CAPITAL MANAGEMENT LP By: Highfields GP LLC, its General Partner /s/ Kenneth H. Colburn Signature Kenneth H. Colburn, Authorized Signatory Name/Title HIGHFIELDS GP LLC /s/ Kenneth H. Colburn
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JONATHON S. JACOBSON
/s/ Kenneth H. Colburn
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Kenneth H. Colburn, Authorized Signatory
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RICHARD L. GRUBMAN
/s/ Kenneth H. Colburn
Signature
Kenneth H. Colburn, Authorized Signatory

Name/Title

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Exhibit 1. Joint Filing Agreement as required by Rule 13d-1(k)(1) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.