

WHITING PETROLEUM CORP  
Form 8-K  
July 01, 2013

**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): June 28, 2013**

**Whiting Petroleum Corporation**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation)

**1-31899**  
(Commission File  
Number)

**20-0098515**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

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**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)**

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- .. Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 C.F.R. §240.13e-4(c))

**Item 5.03. Amendments to Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws; Change in Fiscal Year.**

On June 27, 2013, all remaining issued and outstanding shares of 6.25% convertible perpetual preferred stock, \$0.001 par value (the Preferred Stock), of Whiting Petroleum Corporation (the Company) were mandatorily converted into shares of the Company's common stock, \$0.001 par value. As a result of the mandatory conversion, no shares of Preferred Stock were outstanding. On June 28, 2013, the Company filed a Certificate of Elimination (the Certificate of Elimination) with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware eliminating the Certificate of Designations relating to the Preferred Stock from the Company's Restated Certification of Incorporation. Upon the filing of the Certificate of Elimination, all shares of Preferred Stock reverted back to authorized but unissued shares of preferred stock. The Certificate of Elimination is filed herewith as Exhibit 3.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

On June 28, 2013, the Company filed a Restated Certificate of Incorporation, which incorporated into the Company's Restated Certificate of Incorporation all previous amendments thereto. The Restated Certificate of Incorporation is filed herewith as Exhibit 3.2 and incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(a) Not applicable.

(b) Not applicable.

(c) Not applicable.

(d) Exhibits:

(3.1) Certificate of Elimination of Whiting Petroleum Corporation.

(3.2) Restated Certificate of Incorporation of Whiting Petroleum Corporation.

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.

Date: July 1, 2013

WHITING PETROLEUM CORPORATION

By: /s/ James J. Volker  
James J. Volker  
Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

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EXHIBIT INDEX

**Exhibit**

**Number**

**Description**

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