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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): May 22, 2014 (May 21, 2014)

LINN ENERGY, LLC

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charters)

Delaware 000-51719 65-1177591

(State or other jurisdiction of (Commission File Number) (IRS Employer Identification No.)

incorporation or organization)

600 Travis, Suite 5100

Houston, Texas 77002 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (281) 840-4000

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Item 1.01. Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

## **Exchange Agreement**

On May 21, 2014, Linn Energy, LLC (the "Company"), through two of its wholly-owned subsidiaries, entered into an definitive exchange agreement (the "Exchange Agreement") to trade certain oil and natural gas properties and related assets located primarily in the Permian Basin to Exxon Mobil Corporation and its affiliates, including its wholly-owned subsidiary XTO Energy Inc. (collectively, "ExxonMobil"), in exchange for certain of ExxonMobil's oil and natural gas properties and related assets in the Hugoton Basin, subject to closing conditions (the "Exchange"). The Company anticipates that the Exchange will close in the third quarter of 2014 with an effective date of June 1, 2014. There can be no assurance that all of the conditions to closing the Exchange will be satisfied.

The foregoing description of the Exchange Agreement does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the Exchange Agreement, a copy of which will be filed with the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the three months ended June 30, 2014. A copy of the press release announcing the Exchange is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibit.

99.1 Press Release of Linn Energy, LLC dated May 21, 2014.

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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.

LINN ENERGY, LLC

Date: May 22, 2014 By: /s/ Candice J. Wells

Candice J. Wells

Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary