NEWFIELD EXPLORATION CO /DE/ Form 8-K October 10, 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): July 1, 2013

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NEWFIELD EXPLORATION COMPANY

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 1-12534 (Commission File Number)

72-1133047 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

4 Waterway Square Place, Suite 100 The Woodlands, Texas 77380 (Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (281) 210-5100

Not Applicable (Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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#### Item 8.01 Other Events

To simplify the pending sale of its China business, effective July 1, 2013, Newfield Exploration Company (the "Company") purchased from Huffco International, LLC the outstanding preferred shares of Newfield China for approximately \$20 million. The preferred shares were entitled to dividends equal to 10% of the net profits from certain producing properties in Bohai Bay held by Newfield China. The transaction will be recorded as a one-time charge to the Company's retained earnings and will reduce third quarter 2013 diluted earnings per share by approximately \$0.15.

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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.

### NEWFIELD EXPLORATION COMPANY

Date: October 9, 2013 By: /s/ John D. Marziotti

John D. Marziotti

General Counsel and Corporate Secretary