

PETROLEUM DEVELOPMENT CORP

Form 8-K

August 17, 2009

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**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, DC 20549  
FORM 8-K  
CURRENT REPORT  
PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE  
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

**August 17, 2009**

**Date of report (Date of earliest event reported)**

**Petroleum Development Corporation**

*Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter*

**Nevada**  
*State or Other  
Jurisdiction  
of Incorporation*

**0-7246**  
*Commission  
File Number*

**95-2636730**  
*IRS Employer  
Identification  
Number*

**1775 Sherman Street, Suite 3000, Denver, CO 80203**

*Address of Principal Executive Offices*

**303-860-5800**

*Registrant's telephone number, including area code*

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

**No Change**

*Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report*

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On August 17, 2009, Petroleum Development Corporation (the Company) issued a press release announcing that it closed its public offering of 4,312,500 shares of common stock (the Closing), including 562,500 shares issued upon full exercise of underwriters' over-allotment option, at a price to the public of \$12.00 per share. The offering was underwritten by J.P. Morgan Securities Inc. (J.P. Morgan), pursuant to the Underwriting Agreement by and between the Company and J.P. Morgan, as representative of the several underwriters named in Schedule 1 of the Underwriting Agreement, dated August 11, 2009, as previously reported in our Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission on August 12, 2009. The Closing took place on August 17, 2009.

The offering was made pursuant to an effective shelf Registration Statement on Form S-3 the Company filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission on November 26, 2008 and declared effective on January 30, 2009 (File No. 333-155745). A prospectus supplement relating to the offering has been filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission. A copy of the opinion of Duane Morris LLP relating to the legality of the issuance and sale of securities in the offering is attached hereto as Exhibit 5.1.

The Company's press release is filed as Exhibit 99.1 to this report. Information included in this report, and in Exhibit 99.1, shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act), or incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as expressly set forth by specific reference in the filing.

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

(d) Exhibits.

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<b>No.</b>	<b>Description</b>
5.1	Opinion of Duane Morris LLP
23.1	Consent of Duane Morris LLP (contained in Exhibit 5.1 hereto)
99.1	PRESS RELEASE Petroleum Development Corporation Closes Public Offering of 4,312,500 Shares of Common Stock

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**SIGNATURE**

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.

**PETROLEUM DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**

Date: August 17, 2009

By: /s/ Gysle R. Shellum

Gysle R. Shellum  
Chief Financial Officer

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