WHITING PETROLEUM CORP Form 8-K October 27, 2016

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): October 26, 2016

Whiting Petroleum Corporation (Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware001-3189920-0098515(State or other
jurisdiction of
incorporation)(Commission File
Number)(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

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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Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On October 26, 2016, Whiting Petroleum Corporation issued a press release announcing its financial and operating results for the third quarter ended September 30, 2016 and providing certain guidance for the fourth quarter of 2016 and full-year 2016. A copy of such press release is furnished as Exhibit 99 and is incorporated by reference herein. Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(a) Financial Statements of Businesses Acquired. Not applicable.

(b) Pro Forma Financial Information. Not applicable.

(c) Shell Company Transactions. Not applicable.

(d) Exhibits