

PIONEER NATURAL RESOURCES CO

Form 8-K

December 20, 2012

**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): December 20, 2012

**PIONEER NATURAL RESOURCES COMPANY**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction

of incorporation)

**1-13245**  
(Commission

File Number)

**75-2702753**  
(I.R.S. Employer

Identification No.)

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**5205 N. O Connor Blvd., Suite 200,**

**Irving, Texas**

**(Address of principal executive offices)**

**Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (972) 444-9001**

**75039**

**(Zip Code)**

**Not applicable**

**(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)**

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:

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

**Item 1.01. Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement**

On December 20, 2012, Pioneer Natural Resources Company (the Company ) entered into the First Amendment to Second Amended and Restated 5-Year Revolving Credit Agreement dated as of December 20, 2012 (the First Amendment ), amending the Second Amended and Restated 5-Year Revolving Credit Agreement (as amended, the Credit Agreement or the credit facility ) entered into on March 31, 2011, with Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as Administrative Agent, and the other lenders party thereto.

The primary changes effected by the First Amendment were to lower the borrowing rates, increase the aggregate loan commitments to \$1.5 billion from \$1.25 billion, and extend the maturity of the credit facility to December 20, 2017 (unless extended in accordance with the terms of the Credit Agreement for one additional year). The provisions of the Credit Agreement regarding covenants, including the financial covenants, events of default and lender remedies were not changed by the First Amendment.

This description of the First Amendment is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of the First Amendment, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit 10.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 2.03. Creation of a Direct Financial Obligation or an Obligation under an Off-Balance Sheet Arrangement of a Registrant into a Material Definitive Agreement**

The disclosure provided in Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement is incorporated by reference into this Item 2.03 as if fully set forth herein.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits**

(d) Exhibits

10.1 First Amendment to Second Amended and Restated 5-Year Revolving Credit Agreement dated as of December 20, 2012, among the Company, as the Borrower, Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as Administrative Agent, and certain other lenders.

**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.

**PIONEER NATURAL RESOURCES COMPANY**

By: /s/ Frank W. Hall

Frank W. Hall,  
Vice President and Chief  
Accounting Officer

Date: December 20, 2012

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Exhibit No.	Description
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(a) Filed herewith.