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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): August 14, 2017

Whiting Petroleum Corporation

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 1-31899 20-0098515 (State or other jurisdiction (Commission (IRS Employer

of incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

1700 Broadway, Suite 2300, Denver, Colorado 80290-2300

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(Address of principal executive offices, including ZIP code)

(303) 837-1661

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter). Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Item 1.01. Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

On August 14, 2017, Whiting Resources Corporation, a subsidiary of Whiting Petroleum Corporation, and Rimrock Oil & Gas Williston, LLC entered into a Purchase and Sale Agreement (the Agreement) to sell certain producing oil and gas properties located in the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation area in Dunn, McLean and Mountrail Counties, North Dakota, and certain other related assets and liabilities. The Agreement provides that the transaction will be effective September 1, 2017, for a cash purchase price of \$500 million, subject to certain post-closing adjustments. The transaction is expected to close on September 1, 2017, subject to customary conditions.

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.

Date: August 14, 2017

WHITING PETROLEUM CORPORATION

By: /s/ James J. Volker James J. Volker

Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer