MARATHON OIL CORP Form 8-K January 05, 2006

# 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): January 5, 2006

# MARATHON OIL CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware** (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

1-5153 (Commission File Number) 25-0996816 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

**5555 San Felipe Road, Houston, Texas** (Address of principal executive offices)

77056-2723 (Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (713) 629-6600

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:

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

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

Item 2.02	Results of Operations and Financial Condition.
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On January 5, 2006, Marathon Oil Corporation issued a press release providing a fourth quarter 2005 interim update. A copy of the press release is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (c) Exhibits.
- 99.1 Press Release dated January 5, 2006, issued by Marathon Oil Corporation.

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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.

MARATHON OIL CORPORATION

Date: January 5, 2006 By: /s/ A.G. Adkins

A.G. Adkins

Vice President-Accounting

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#### EXHIBIT INDEX

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