

HOUSTON EXPLORATION CO

Form 425

May 21, 2007

Filed by Forest Oil Corporation

Pursuant to Rule 425 of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and deemed filed pursuant to Rule 14a-12 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Subject Company:           The Houston Exploration Company  
Commission File No.:       333-140532

The following materials were presented by representatives of Forest Oil Corporation at an investor conference on May 21, 2007.

---





























































































































