OCCIDENTAL PETROLEUM CORP /DE/ Form 8-K October 14, 2015

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 8, 2015

Occidental Petroleum Corporation

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction

1-9210 (Commission

95-4035997 (IRS Employer

of Incorporation)

File Number)

Identification No.)

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5 Greenway Plaza, Suite 110

Houston, Texas 77046 (Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code) Registrant s Telephone Number, Including Area Code: (713) 215-7000

Not Applicable

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K 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 5.03 <u>Amendments to Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws; Change in Fiscal Year.</u>

On October 8, 2015, the Board of Directors of Occidental Petroleum Corporation (the Company) amended the Company s By-Laws (By-Laws), effective immediately, to implement proxy access. Article III, Section 15 has been added to the By-Laws to permit a stockholder, or a group of up to 20 stockholders, owning 3% or more of the Company s outstanding common stock continuously for at least three years to nominate and include in the Company s proxy materials directors constituting up to two individuals or 20% of the Board, whichever is greater, provided that the stockholder(s) and the nominee(s) satisfy the requirements specified in the By-Laws. The By-Laws were also amended to make clarifications, updates and other non-substantive changes.

The foregoing description of the amendment to the By-Laws is qualified in its entirety by reference to the text of the By-Laws, which are filed as Exhibit 3.(ii) to this Current Report on Form 8-K and incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

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3.(ii) By-laws of Occidental, as amended through October 8, 2015.

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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.

Occidental Petroleum Corporation

By: /s/ Jennifer M. Kirk Name: Jennifer M. Kirk

Title: Vice President and Controller

DATED: October 14, 2015

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