

PETROHAWK ENERGY CORP

Form 8-K

December 20, 2005

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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): December 14, 2005  
PETROHAWK ENERGY CORPORATION  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)**

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

**000-25717  
(Commission File Number)**

**86-0876964  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)**

**1100 Louisiana, Suite 4400  
Houston, Texas  
(Address of principal executive offices)**

**77002  
(Zip Code)**

**Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (832) 204-2700**

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 (*see* General Instruction A.2):

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

On December 14, 2005, Petrohawk Energy Corporation ( Petrohawk ) entered into a Stock Purchase Agreement with Winwell Resources, Inc. ( Winwell ) and all of Winwell s shareholders pursuant to which Petrohawk agreed to purchase all of the issued and outstanding shares of Winwell common stock. Total consideration for the shares of Winwell common stock will be in the form of cash and in the amount of One Hundred Seventy-Five Million and 00/100 Dollars (\$175,000,000), subject to certain adjustments set forth more fully in the agreement. The stock purchase agreement contains customary representations and warranties and covenants for a transaction of this type and is attached to this Form 8-K as Exhibit 2.1.

Also on December 14, 2005, Petrohawk entered into an Asset Purchase Agreement with Redley Company, Burriss Run Company and Red Clay Minerals (collectively, Seller ) to purchase certain assets of Seller for cash consideration in the amount of Eighty-Six Million Six Hundred Seventy Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$86,670,000), subject to certain adjustments set forth more fully in the agreement. The asset purchase agreement contains customary representations and warranties and covenants for a transaction of this type, has an economic effective date of January 1, 2006 and is attached to this Form 8-K as Exhibit 2.2.

The entry into both the asset purchase agreement and the stock purchase agreement were approved by Petrohawk s Board of Directors prior to their execution by Petrohawk. The transactions contemplated by both agreements are expected to close sometime in January, 2006. The foregoing descriptions of the stock purchase agreement, the asset purchase agreement and the transactions contemplated thereby do not purport to be complete and are qualified in their entirety by reference to such documents.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(c) Exhibits.

- 2.1 Stock Purchase Agreement among Winwell Resources, Inc. and all of its Shareholders, as Sellers, and Petrohawk Energy Corporation, as Buyer, dated as of December 14, 2005.
  - 2.2 Asset Purchase Agreement among Redley Company, Burriss Run Company and Red Clay Minerals, collectively as Seller, and Petrohawk Energy Corporation, as Buyer, dated as of December 14, 2005.
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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.

PETROHAWK ENERGY CORPORATION

By /s/ Shane M. Bayless  
Executive Vice President- Chief  
Financial Officer and Treasurer

Date: December 20, 2005

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