CREDO PETROLEUM CORP Form 8-K April 25, 2012

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): April 19, 2012

CREDO Petroleum Corporation

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

0-8877 (Commission File Number)

84-0772991 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

1801 Broadway, Suite 900
Denver, Colorado
(Address of principal executive offices)

80202 (Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (303) 297-2200

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

Section 4 Matters Related to Accountants and Financial Statements

Item 4.02 (a) Non-Reliance on Previously Issued Financial Statements or a Related Audit Report or Completed Interim Review.

On April 19, 2012, the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors of Credo Petroleum Corporation (the Company) concluded that, as a result of the error described in the following paragraphs, its financial statements for the year ended October 31, 2011, appearing in its Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended October 31, 2011 should no longer be relied upon.

Subsequent to our January 31, 2012 first quarter end, management and the Audit Committee determined that certain liabilities were incurred during the first quarter but were not timely billed to the Company by the well operators and were not properly estimated and accrued by the Company. The unaccrued liabilities primarily relate to drilling and completion activities on North Dakota oil and gas properties in which the Company is a non-operating working interest owner. In addition, certain of these costs are incurred on behalf of a joint owner which we re-bill for its share of the costs. The expenditures related to these properties increased significantly late in 2011 and early 2012. During the review of these unaccrued liabilities, the Company determined that the same situation existed at our prior year end and resulted in unaccrued liabilities at October 31, 2011, although to a lesser degree.

The unaccrued liabilities at October 31, 2011 also resulted in changes in the reported amounts of accounts receivable-trade, oil and gas properties, compressor inventory, deferred income taxes, retained earnings, oil and gas production costs, depreciation depletion and amortization expense, income tax expense, net income and earnings per share of common stock basic and diluted as of October 31, 2011 and for the year then ended.

The proposed changes in our audited financial statements as of October 31, 2011 and for the year then ended due to the adjustments described above are shown in the following tables.

Changes in the Consolidated Balance Sheet:

	October 31, 2011 As Previously Reported Adjustments		As Restated	
Receivables: Trade	\$ 893,000	\$	814,000	\$ 1,707,000
Oil and natural gas properties:	0.600.000		249,000	0.057.000
Unevaluated properties Evaluated properties	9,609,000 99,283,000		348,000 1,665,000	9,957,000 100,948,000
Less: Accumulated depreciation depletion and amortization	(61,042,000)		(12,000)	(61,054,000)
Net oil and natural gas properties	47,850,000		2,001,000	49,851,000
Compressor and tubular inventory	1,690,000		70,000	1,760,000

Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	4,002,000	2,931,000	6,933,000
Deferred income taxes, net	4,505,000	19,000	4,524,000
Retained earnings	22,042,000	(65,000)	21,977,000
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Changes to the Consolidated Statement of Operations:

		For the Year Ended October 31, 2011				
		As Previously Reported		Adjustments		As Restated
Oil and natural gas production costs		\$ 4,000,000	\$	34,000	\$	4,034,000
Depreciation, depletion and amortization	1	5,179,000		12,000		5,191,000
Income from operations		4,913,000		(46,000)		4,867,000
Income before income taxes		4,788,000		(46,000)		4,742,000
Income taxes		(1,270,000)		(19,000)		(1,289,000)
Net income		3,518,000		(65,000)		3,453,000
Earnings per share of Common Stock	Basic	\$.35	\$	(01)	\$.34
Earnings per share of Common Stock	Diluted	\$.35	\$	(01)	\$.34

The unaccrued liabilities at January 31, 2012 also resulted in changes in the reported amounts of accounts receivable-trade, oil and gas properties, deferred income taxes, retained earnings, oil and gas production costs, depreciation depletion and amortization expense, general and administrative expense, income tax expense and net income as of January 31, 2012 and for the three months then ended.

The proposed changes in our unaudited financial statements as of January 31, 2011 and for the three months then ended due to the adjustments described above are shown in the following tables.

Changes in the Consolidated Balance Sheet:

	s Previously Reported	•		As Restated	
Receivables: Trade	\$ 1,259,000	\$	1,907,000	\$	3,166,000
Oil and natural gas properties: Unevaluated properties Evaluated properties	9,710,000 103,551,000		1,682,000 3,890,000		11,392,000 107,441,000
Less: Accumulated depreciation depletion and amortization Net oil and natural gas properties	(62,757,000) 50,504,000		(76,000) 5,496,000		(62,833,000) 56,000,000
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	3,106,000		7,563,000		10,669,000
Deferred income taxes, net	4,994,000		(17,000)		4,977,000
Retained earnings	23,082,000		(143,000)		22,939,000

Changes to the Consolidated Statement of Operations:

	Three Months Ended January 31, 2012			
	As Previously Reported	Adjustments		As Restated
Oil and natural gas production costs	\$ 1,187,000	\$ 35,000	\$	1,222,000
Depreciation, depletion and amortization	1,832,000	64,000		1,896,000
General and administrative	750,000	15,000		765,000
Income from operations	2,052,000	(114,000)		1,938,000
Income before income taxes	1,529,000	(114,000)		1,415,000
Income taxes	(489,000)	36,000		(453,000)
Net income	1,040,000	(78,000)		962,000
Earnings per share of Common Stock Basic	\$.10		\$.10
Earnings per share of Common Stock Diluted	\$.10		\$.10

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Our Chief Financial	Officer and Audit C	ommittee Chairma	in discussed the	matters in this fi	iling with our	independent r	egistered public
accounting firm.							

We are filing the Form 10 K/A for the year ended October 31, 2011 and the Form 10-Q/A for the three months ended January 31, 2012, coincident with this filing, and have addressed therein our evaluation of the internal control implications of this restatement.

Signatures

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has caused his report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Credo Petroleum Corporation

By: /s/Alford B. Neely

Alford B. Neely

Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Date: April 25, 2012