

NEWFIELD EXPLORATION CO /DE/

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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): January 19, 2005

NEWFIELD EXPLORATION COMPANY

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	1-12534 (Commission File Number)	72-1133047 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)
363 N. Sam Houston Parkway E., Suite 2020 Houston, Texas (Address of principal executive offices)		77060 (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (281) 847-6000

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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(b) Pro forma financial information.

The unaudited pro forma combined condensed income statement as of September 30, 2004 giving effect to the acquisition by Newfield Exploration Company of Inland Resources Inc. and the issuance by Newfield Exploration Company of the common stock and notes described therein begin on page F-1 of this report.

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SIGNATURES

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.

**NEWFIELD EXPLORATION
COMPANY**

Date: January 19, 2005

By: /s/ TERRY W. RATHERT
Terry W. Rathert
Senior Vice President and Chief
Financial Officer
(Authorized Officer and Principal
Financial Officer)

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NEWFIELD EXPLORATION COMPANY

UNAUDITED PRO FORMA COMBINED CONDENSED FINANCIAL INFORMATION

On August 27, 2004, Newfield Exploration Company acquired Inland Resources Inc. for \$578 million. The purchase was funded through concurrent offerings of Newfield common stock and debt. Newfield issued 5.4 million shares of its common stock at a price to the public of \$52.85 per share and \$325 million of its 6 % senior subordinated notes due 2014.

The following summary unaudited pro forma combined condensed income statement combines the historical consolidated income statements of Newfield and Inland and gives effect to the issuance of the common stock and the notes and to the acquisition using the purchase method of accounting.

The unaudited pro forma combined condensed income statement is based on the following assumptions and adjustments:

the income statement data assume that the issuance of the common stock and the notes and the acquisition were effected on January 1, 2004; and

the historical financial statements of Inland have been adjusted to conform to the accounting policies of Newfield.

The Newfield historical income statement information for the nine-month period ended September 30, 2004 is derived from the unaudited financial statements of Newfield and includes Inland's results for the period from August 28, 2004 (the day following the acquisition) through September 30, 2004. The Inland historical income statement information is derived from the unaudited financial statements of Inland for the period from January 1, 2004 through August 27, 2004 (the date of the acquisition). The unaudited pro forma combined condensed income statement should be read together with the historical financial statements and related notes of Newfield and Inland.

The unaudited pro forma combined condensed income statement is presented for illustrative purposes only. The financial results may have been different if the companies had always been combined or if the transactions had occurred as of the dates indicated above. They do not purport to indicate the future results that Newfield will experience. Further, the unaudited pro forma combined condensed income statement does not reflect the effect of restructuring charges to fully integrate and operate the combined organization.

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	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2004			
	Historical	Historical		Pro
	Newfield	Inland	Pro forma	forma
	Exploration	Resources(1)	Adjustments	Combined
Oil and gas revenues	\$ 915,817	\$ 46,341	\$	\$ 962,158
Operating expenses:				
Lease operating	103,742	8,525		112,267
Production and other taxes	30,159	854		31,013
Exploration		214	(214)(a)	
Loss on lease sales		1,097	(1,097)(b)	
Depreciation, depletion and amortization	329,548	12,047	(11,885)(c)	350,939
			21,229(d)	
Ceiling test writedown	6,718			6,718
General and administrative	59,459	17,892		77,351
Total operating expenses	529,626	40,629	8,033	578,288
Income (loss) from operations	386,191	5,712	(8,033)	383,870
Other income (expenses):				
Interest and other expense	(41,136)	(8,888)	(89)(e)	(39,492)
			16,412(f)	
			8,778(g)	
			(14,569)(h)	
Other	2,330	296		2,626
Total other expenses	(38,806)	(8,592)	10,532	(36,866)
Income (loss) before income taxes	347,385	(2,880)	2,499	347,004
Income tax provision (benefit)	125,531		(133)(i)	125,398
Net income (loss)	\$ 221,854	\$ (2,880)	\$ 2,632	\$ 221,606
Basic earnings per common share	\$ 3.88			\$ 3.54
Diluted earnings per common share	\$ 3.82			\$ 3.49

Weighted average number of shares outstanding for basic earnings per share	57,117	5,405(j)	62,522
Weighted average number of shares outstanding for diluted earnings per share	58,046	5,405(j)	63,451

(1) Historical Inland Resources results are for the period from January 1, 2004 through August 27, 2004 (the date of the acquisition).

See accompanying Notes to Unaudited Pro forma Combined Condensed Financial Statements.

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- (a) To record the reversal of historical Inland exploration expense recorded in accordance with the successful efforts method of accounting for oil and gas activities. No such expense is recorded under the full cost method of accounting for oil and gas activities, which method is utilized by Newfield.
- (b) To record the reversal of the historical Inland loss on lease sales recorded in accordance with the successful efforts method of accounting for oil and gas activities. No such loss is recorded under the full cost method of accounting for oil and gas activities, which method is utilized by Newfield.
- (c) To record the reversal of historical Inland depreciation, depletion and amortization expense recorded in accordance with the successful efforts method of accounting for oil and gas activities.
- (d) To record pro forma depreciation, depletion and amortization expense in accordance with the full cost method of accounting for oil and gas activities based on the purchase price allocation to depreciable and depletable assets.
- (e) To reverse historical Inland capitalized interest.
- (f) To record the capitalization of interest based on the allocation of the purchase price to unproved oil and gas properties.
- (g) To eliminate the historical Inland interest expense (including amortization of debt issuance costs) of \$8.8 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 related to Inland's debt.
- (h) To record pro forma interest expense resulting from the issuance of \$325 million of notes with a stated interest rate of 6 %. The notes were issued at par. Pro forma interest expense, which includes amortization of debt issuance costs, is calculated as follows:

	For the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2004 (In thousands)
Interest expense \$325 million senior subordinated notes due 2014	\$ 14,393
Amortization of debt issuance costs senior subordinated notes due 2014	176
	\$ 14,569

- (i) To record pro forma income tax expense adjustments based on the applicable statutory tax rate of 35%.
- (j) To record the issuance of 5.4 million shares of Newfield common stock.