NUEVO ENERGY CO Form 8-K January 06, 2004

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 5, 2004

Nuevo Energy Company

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of 76-0304436 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

incorporation or organization)

1021 Main, Suite 2100, Houston, Texas (Address of principal executive offices)

77002 (Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (713) 652-0706

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On January 5, 2004, Nuevo Energy Company announced the sale of California real estate properties in a press release attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

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(a) Exhibits

99.1 Press release dated January 5, 2004, announcing Nuevo completed the sale of California real estate properties.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

NUEVO ENERGY COMPANY (Registrant)

Date: January 5, 2004

By: /s/ Michael S. Wilkes

Michael S. Wilkes Principal Financial and Accounting Officer

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