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January 07, 2005

U.S. SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF  
OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report: January 7, 2005

TIDELANDS OIL & GAS CORPORATION  
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(Exact Name of registrant as specified in its Charter)

Nevada	0-29613	66-0549380
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State of Incorporation	Commission File No.	I.R.S. Employer Identification No.
1862 West Bitters Rd. San Antonio, TX		78248
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(Address of principal executive offices)		(Zip Code)
Registrant's telephone number, ( 210 ) 764 - 8642		
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(Registrant's former name and address)

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ITEM 3.02 UNREGISTERED SALES OF EQUITY SECURITIES.

On January 3, 2004, we authorized the issuance of Five Hundred Thousand (500,000) common shares of restricted stock to Michael Ward, our president, under the terms of his employment agreement. We valued the restricted stock grant at \$0.302 per share.

We relied on Section 4(2) for the securities transaction exemption afforded by the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

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.

Dated: January 7, 2005

TIDELANDS OIL & GAS CORPORATION

/s/ Michael Ward

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By: Michael Ward  
Title: President