

Resolute Energy Corp  
Form 8-K  
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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): September 25, 2009**

**RESOLUTE ENERGY CORPORATION**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**

(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or organization)

**001-34464**

(Commission  
File Number)

**27-0659371**

(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification Number)

**1675 Broadway, Suite 1950**

**Denver, CO**

(Address of principal executive offices)

**80202**

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **303-534-4600**

**Not Applicable**

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

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**Item 2.01. Completion of Acquisition or Disposition of Assets.**

On September 25, 2009, Resolute Energy Corporation (the Company) announced that it had closed the business combination transaction (the Transaction) contemplated by the Purchase and IPO Reorganization Agreement, dated as of August 2, 2009, by and among the Company, Hicks Acquisition Company I, Inc. (HACI), Resolute Holdings Sub, LLC, Resolute Subsidiary Corporation, Resolute Aneth, LLC, Resolute Holdings, LLC, and HH-HACI, L.P., as amended (the Acquisition Agreement). As a result of the Transaction, HACI became a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company. A description of the Acquisition and the Acquisition Agreement is included in the definitive proxy statement/prospectus (the Proxy Statement/Prospectus) included in the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-4, declared effective by the SEC on September 14, 2009, beginning on page 99 and page 127, respectively, which information is incorporated herein by reference.

Disclosure responsive to Item 2.01(b) through (e) of Form 8-K is included in the Proxy Statement/Prospectus under Resolute's Business beginning on page 201, HACI's Business beginning on page 153, The Acquisition beginning on page 99 and The Acquisition Agreement beginning on page 127, which information is incorporated herein by reference.

*Business*

A description of the Company's and HACI's business is included in the Proxy Statement/Prospectus under Resolute's Business beginning on page 201 and HACI's Business beginning on page 153, which information is incorporated herein by reference.

*Risk Factors*

Certain risks associated with the business of the Company and HACI are described under Risk Factors beginning on page 46 of the Proxy Statement/Prospectus, which information is incorporated herein by reference.

*Financial Information*

Certain financial information related to the Company and HACI is included in the Proxy Statement/Prospectus under Selected Historical Financial Information of the Company on page 145, Selected Historical Financial Information of HACI beginning on page 146, Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations of Resolute beginning on page 176 and Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations of HACI beginning on page 148, which information is incorporated herein by reference.

*Properties*

Information regarding the properties of the Company is included in the Proxy Statement/Prospectus under Resolute's Business beginning on page 201, which information is incorporated herein by reference.

*Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management*

The following table sets forth information known to the Company regarding the beneficial ownership of the Company's common stock immediately following the consummation of the Transaction by: (i) each person known by the Company to be the beneficial owner of more than 5% of the outstanding shares of the Company's common stock; (ii) each of the Company's executive officers and directors; and (iii) all

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executive officers and directors of the Company as a group. Several entities reported beneficial ownership of more than 5% of the outstanding shares of common stock of HACI prior to the Transaction. See Beneficial Ownership of Securities in the Proxy Statement/Prospectus beginning on page 246. Until such entities file reports on Schedule 13D or 13G with the Securities and Exchange Commission, the Company is not able to determine whether such entities own more than 5% of the Company's outstanding common stock following the consummation of the Transaction.

|   | <b>Shares of Company Common Stock<br/>Beneficially Owned After the<br/>Transaction</b> |                      |
|---|--|----------------------|
|   | <b>Number</b>  | <b>Percentage(1)</b> |
| HH-HACI, L.P.(2)  | 11,002,367(3)  | 19.0%                |
| Thomas O. Hicks(4)(5)   | 11,002,367(3)  | 19.0%                |
| Resolute Holdings, LLC(6)(7)  | 12,718,433(8)  | 22.9%                |
| William H. Cunningham(5)  | 32,325(9)  | *                    |
| Thomas O. Hicks, Jr.(5)   |  |                      |
| Robert M. Swartz(5)   |  |                      |
| Nicolas J. Sutton(5)(6)(7)(10)                                      |  |                      |
| James M. Piccone(5)(6)(7)(10)                                       |  |                      |
| Richard F. Betz(6)(7)(10)   |  |                      |
| Dale E. Cantwell(6)(7)(10)  |  |                      |
| Theodore Gazulis(6)(7)(10)  |  |                      |
| Janet W. Pasque(6)(7)(10)   |  |                      |
| Kenneth A. Hersh(5)(6)  |  |                      |
| Richard L. Covington(5)(6)  |  |                      |
| William J. Quinn(5)(6)  |  |                      |
| <b>All directors and executive officers as a group (12 persons)</b> | <b>32,325(9)</b>   | <b>*</b>             |

\* Less than 1%

(1) Based upon 53,154,883 shares of Company Common Stock outstanding as of the closing of the Transaction, after taking into consideration the conversion of 11,592,084 shares of HACI Common Stock and the retirement of 7,503,133 shares of HACI Common Stock purchased by

HACI and retired in connection with the Transaction. Includes (i) 200,000 shares of Company Common Stock issued or issuable to Company employees pursuant to retention bonus awards and (ii) 3,250,000 shares of Company Common Stock that are held by HH-HACI, L.P. (the *Sponsor*) and Resolute Holdings, LLC subject to forfeiture unless at any time prior to five years from the closing of the Transaction, either (x) the closing sale price of the Company Common Stock exceeds \$15.00 per share for 20 trading days in any 30 trading day period beginning 90 days after the closing of the Transaction, or (y) a Change in Control Event occurs in which Company Common Stock

is valued at greater than \$15.00 per share (the **Company Earnout Shares** ). Until forfeited, Company Earnout Shares will vote but will not participate in dividends and distributions. Excludes (i) 27,600,000 shares of Company Common Stock subject to purchase at any time upon exercise of warrants to purchase Company Common Stock at an exercise price of \$13.00 per share for five years from the Transaction ( **Public Warrants** ), (ii) 7,000,000 warrants to purchase Company Common Stock at a price of \$13.00 per share that are currently exercisable ( **Company Sponsors Warrants** ), (iii) 13,800,000 warrants to purchase Company

Common Stock  
at a price of  
\$13.00 per share  
that will be  
exercisable at  
any time prior to  
five years from  
the closing of  
the Transaction  
in the event that  
the closing sale  
price of the  
Company  
Common Stock  
exceeds \$13.75  
per share for 20  
trading days in  
any 30 trading  
day period  
beginning  
90 days after the  
closing of the  
Transaction  
( *Company*  
*Founders*

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*Warrants* ), and  
(iv) up to  
2,657,744  
shares reserved  
for issuance  
under  
Company's 2009  
Performance  
Incentive Plan.

(2) The address of  
the holder is 100  
Crescent Court,  
Suite 1200,  
Dallas, Texas  
75201.

(3) Includes  
1,827,700  
Company  
Earnout Shares  
and 4,666,667  
Company  
Sponsors  
Warrants to  
purchase  
Company  
Common Stock  
at a price of  
\$13.00 per share  
that are  
currently  
exercisable.  
Excludes  
9,016,000  
Company  
Founders  
Warrants to  
purchase  
Company  
Common Stock  
at a price of  
\$13.00 per share  
that will be  
exercisable as  
described in  
Note 1 above.

(4)

Thomas O. Hicks is HACS Chairman of the Board and the sole member of HH-HACI GP, LLC, the general partner of HH-HACI, L.P. (the

*Sponsor*), and may be considered to have beneficial ownership of the Sponsor's interests in the Company.

Mr. Hicks has designated Thomas O. Hicks, Jr. to be a director of the Company after the closing of the Transaction.

Mr. Hicks disclaims beneficial ownership of any shares of Company Common Stock in which he does not have a pecuniary interest.

Mr. Hicks address is c/o Hicks Holdings LLC, 100 Crescent Court, Suite 1200, Dallas, Texas 75201.

- (5) Directors of the Company.
- (6) The address of Resolute

Holdings, LLC  
is 1675  
Broadway,  
Suite 1950,  
Denver,  
Colorado  
80202. Natural  
Gas Partners  
VII, L.P. and  
NGP-VII  
Income  
Co-Investment  
Opportunities,  
L.P. ( *Co-Invest*,  
and collectively  
with Natural  
Gas Partners,  
VII, L.P.,  
*Natural Gas  
Partners* ) have  
an  
approximately  
71%  
membership  
interest in  
Company  
Holdings, LLC,  
subject to  
certain  
adjustments in  
the future that  
could decrease  
such interest.  
Nicholas J.  
Sutton, James  
M. Piccone,  
Richard F. Betz,  
Dale E.  
Cantwell,  
Theodore  
Gazulis and  
Janet W. Pasque  
collectively  
have an  
approximate  
26%  
membership  
interest in  
Resolute  
Holdings, LLC.  
Certain other

employees, and former employees, of Resolute Holdings, LLC and its affiliates collectively own an approximate 3% membership interest in Resolute Holdings, LLC, all of which are subject to certain adjustments in the future that could increase such interests. None of such persons holds more than a 10% membership interest in Resolute Holdings, LLC. In addition, Messrs. Sutton, Piccone, Kenneth A. Hersh, Richard L. Covington and William J. Quinn serve as directors of Resolute Holdings, LLC. G.F.W. Energy VII, L.P. is the sole general partner of Natural Gas Partners VII, L.P. and GFW VII, L.L.C. is the sole general partner of G.F.W. Energy VII, L.P. Natural Gas

Partners VII,  
L.P. owns NGP  
Income  
Management,  
L.L.C., which is  
the sole general  
partner of  
Co-Invest.  
G.F.W. Energy  
VII, L.L.C. may  
be deemed to  
beneficially own  
any Company  
Common Stock,  
Company  
Earnout Shares,  
Company  
Sponsors  
Warrants and  
Company  
Founders  
Warrants issued  
to Resolute  
Holdings, LLC  
in connection  
with the  
Transaction and  
that may be  
attributable to  
Natural Gas  
Partners.  
Kenneth A.  
Hersh, who is a  
member of  
GFW VII,  
L.L.C., may  
also be deemed  
to share the  
power to vote,  
or to direct the  
vote, and to  
dispose of, or to  
direct the  
disposition of,  
Company  
Common Stock,  
Company  
Earnout Shares,  
Company  
Sponsors  
Warrants and

Company  
Founders  
Warrants.  
Mr. Hersh  
disclaims any  
beneficial  
ownership of  
Company  
Common Stock,  
Company  
Earnout Shares,  
Company  
Founders  
Warrants and  
Company  
Sponsors  
Warrants which  
he may be  
deemed to have  
by virtue of his  
relationship  
with GFW VII,  
L.L.C. Because  
none of  
Messrs. Sutton,  
Piccone, Betz,  
Cantwell,  
Gazulis, Hersh,  
Covington or  
Quinn, or  
Ms. Pasque, will  
have the power  
to vote, or to  
direct the vote,  
or to dispose of,  
or direct the  
disposition of  
the Company  
Common Stock,  
Company  
Earnout Shares,  
Company  
Founders  
Warrants and  
Company  
Sponsors  
Warrants owned  
by Resolute  
Holdings, LLC,  
each of such  
persons

disclaims  
beneficial  
ownership of  
such Company  
Common Stock,  
Company  
Earnout Shares,  
Company  
Founders  
Warrants and  
Company  
Sponsors  
Warrants. The  
address of  
Natural Gas  
Partners is 125  
E. John  
Carpenter Fwy.,  
Suite 600,  
Irving, Texas  
75062.

- (7) Resolute  
Holdings, LLC  
is the record and  
beneficial owner  
of the Company  
Common Stock,  
Company  
Earnout Shares,  
Company  
Sponsors  
Warrants and  
Company  
Founders  
Warrants, but  
may, in the  
discretion of the  
board of  
directors of  
Resolute  
Holdings, LLC,  
distribute  
Company  
Common Stock  
to members of  
Resolute  
Holdings, LLC  
following the  
Transaction pro  
rata in

accordance with  
their  
membership  
interests in  
Resolute  
Holdings, LLC.

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- (8) Includes  
(i) 9,000,100  
shares of  
Company  
Common Stock,  
(ii) 2,333,333  
Company  
Sponsors  
Warrants to  
purchase  
Company  
Common Stock  
at a price of  
\$13.00 per share  
that are  
currently  
exercisable, and  
(iii) 1,385,000  
Company  
Earnout Shares,  
which are  
subject to  
forfeitures as  
described in  
Note 1 above.  
Excludes  
4,600,000  
Company  
Founders  
Warrants to  
purchase  
Company  
Common Stock  
at a price of  
\$13.00 per share  
that will be  
exercisable as  
described in  
Note 1 above.
- (9) Includes 9,325  
Company  
Earnout Shares.  
Excludes 46,000  
Company  
Founders  
Warrants to  
purchase  
Company

Common Stock  
at a price of  
\$13.00 per share  
that will be  
exercisable as  
described in  
Note 1 above.

- (10) Executive  
officers of the  
Company.

*Directors and Executive Officers*

Effective upon the closing of the Transaction, the following persons are officers of the Company: Nicholas J. Sutton, Chief Executive Officer; James M. Piccone, President, General Counsel and Secretary; Richard F. Betz, Senior Vice President, Business Development; Dale E. Cantwell, Senior Vice President, Operations; Theodore Gazulis, Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer; and Janet W. Pasque, Senior Vice President, Land and Development.

Effective upon the closing of the Transaction, the following persons are the members of the Company's board of directors: Nicholas J. Sutton, James M. Piccone, Kenneth A. Hersh, Richard L. Covington, William J. Quinn, William H. Cunningham, Thomas O. Hicks, Jr., Robert M. Swartz and James E. Duffy.

Information regarding the directors and executive officers of the Company following the consummation of the Transaction is included in the Proxy Statement/Prospectus under "The Company Executive Officers, Directors, Executive Compensation and Corporate Governance" beginning on page 232 and, as applicable, "HACI Executive Officers, Directors, Executive Compensation and Corporate Governance" beginning on page 161, and information regarding certain relationships and related transactions relative to the foregoing persons, to the extent applicable, is included in the Proxy Statement/Prospectus under "Certain Relationships and Related Transactions - Resolute Related Person Transactions" beginning on page 252, which information is incorporated herein by reference.

*Executive Compensation*

Information regarding director and executive officer compensation of the Company is included in the Proxy Statement/Prospectus under "The Company Executive Officers, Directors, Executive Compensation and Corporate Governance" beginning on page 232, and information regarding the compensation of HACI's directors and executive prior to the completion of the Transaction is included under "HACI's Executive Officers, Directors, Executive Compensation and Corporate Governance" on page 161, which information is incorporated herein by reference.

*Certain Relationships and Related Transactions, and Director Independence*

Information regarding certain relationships and related transactions relating to HACI and the Company is included in the Proxy Statement/Prospectus under "Certain Relationships and Related Transactions" beginning on page 252, which information is incorporated herein by reference. Information regarding director independence is included in the Proxy Statement/Prospectus under "The Company Executive Officers, Directors, Executive Compensation and Corporate Governance" beginning on page 232, which information is incorporated herein by reference.

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*Legal Proceedings*

Information regarding certain legal proceedings relating to the Company is included in the Proxy Statement/Prospectus under Resolute's Business Legal Proceedings beginning on page 230, which information is incorporated herein by reference.

*Market Price of and Dividends on the Registrant's Common Equity and Related Stockholder Matters*

Historical market price information regarding the Company's securities is not provided because prior to the Transaction, there was no public market for the Company's securities.

*Recent Sales of Unregistered Securities*

Not applicable.

*Description of Company's Securities*

A description of the Company's common stock and other securities is included in the Proxy Statement/Prospectus under Description of Securities beginning on page 257, which information is incorporated herein by reference.

*Indemnification of Directors and Officers*

Contemporaneously with the closing of the Transaction, the Company entered into an indemnification agreement with each of its directors and executive officers pursuant to which the Company generally agreed to indemnify, and advance expenses to, such individuals in connection with claims brought against them in their capacities as officers and directors of the Company to the maximum extent permitted under Delaware law. The preceding summary of the indemnification agreements is qualified in its entirety by reference to the complete text of the form of agreement, which was filed as Exhibit 10.8 to the Registration Statement on Form S-4 that includes the Proxy Statement/Prospectus.

Additional information regarding indemnification of directors and officers of the Company is included in the Proxy Statement/Prospectus under Certain Relationships and Related Transactions Indemnification Agreements on page 254, which information is incorporated herein by reference.

*Financial Statements, Supplementary Data and Exhibits*

Financial information relating to the Company and HACI is included in the Proxy Statement/Prospectus under Financial Statements beginning on page F-1, which information is incorporated herein by reference. All exhibits required to be filed pursuant to Regulation S-K 601 hereto were filed as exhibits to the Registration Statement on Form S-4 that includes the Proxy Statement/Prospectus and are incorporated herein by reference.

*Changes in and Disagreements with Accountants on Accounting and Financial Disclosure*

Not applicable.

**Item 5.01. Changes in Control of Registrant.**

The information set forth in Item 2.01 is incorporated herein by reference.

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**Item 5.06. Change in Shell Company Status.**

To the extent applicable, the information set forth in Item 2.01 and the information set forth in the Proxy Statement/Prospectus under The Acquisition beginning on page 99 and The Acquisition Agreement beginning on page 127, is incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

*(a) and (b) Financial Statements*

Information responsive to Item 9.01(a) and (b) of Form 8-K is set forth in the financial statements included in Proxy Statement/Prospectus beginning on page F-1, and under Selected Historical and Unaudited Pro Forma Financial Information of Resolute and Resolute Energy Corporation beginning on page 169, which information is incorporated herein by reference.

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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.

Date: October 1, 2009

**RESOLUTE ENERGY CORPORATION**

By: /s/ James M. Piccone  
James M. Piccone  
President