

WHITING PETROLEUM CORP

Form 8-K

May 07, 2010

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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): May 6, 2010**  
**Whiting Petroleum Corporation**  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware	1-31899	20-0098515
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(IRS Employer Identification No.)

1700 Broadway, Suite 2300, Denver, Colorado 80290-2300  
(Address of principal executive offices, including ZIP code)  
(303) 837-1661  
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 C.F.R. §240.13e-4(c))
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Whiting Petroleum Corporation held its annual meeting of stockholders on May 6, 2010. Of the 51,437,580 shares outstanding as of the record date, 46,688,524 shares (approximately 90.77%) were present or represented by proxy at the meeting. The Company's stockholders approved all of management's nominees and proposals. Specifically, the election of Thomas L. Aller and Thomas P. Briggs; the amendment to Whiting Petroleum Corporation's certificate of incorporation to increase the number of authorized shares of common stock; and the ratification of the appointment of Deloitte & Touche LLP as independent registered public accounting firm were approved by the Company's stockholders at the annual meeting of stockholders. The results of the voting on the matters submitted to the stockholders are as follows:

1. Election of directors for terms expiring at the 2013 Annual Meeting and until their successors are duly elected and qualified.

Name of Nominee	Shares Voted		Broker Non-Vote
	For	Withheld	
Thomas L. Aller	41,933,393	543,384	4,211,747
Thomas P. Briggs	41,961,619	515,158	4,211,747

2. Approval of Amendment to Certificate of Incorporation to Increase Number of Authorized Shares of Common stock.

	Shares Voted			Broker Non-Vote
	For	Against	Abstain	
3. Ratification of Appointment of Deloitte & Touche LLP as the Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm for 2010.	40,537,303	6,133,571	17,650	0

	Shares Voted			Broker Non-Vote
	For	Against	Abstain	
	46,217,240	358,285	112,999	0

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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.

WHITING PETROLEUM CORPORATION

Date: May 6, 2010

By: /s/ James J. Volker  
James J. Volker  
Chairman, President and Chief  
Executive Officer

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