# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 20549

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#### FORM 8-K

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

Date of report (Date of earliest event reported) November 11, 2003

Petroleum Development Corporation
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Nevada 0-7246 95-2636730
(State or Other Jurisdiction (Commission (IRS Employer of Incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

103 East Main Street; Bridgeport, WV 26330 (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code <u>304-842-3597</u>

no change

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report

#### Item 5. Other Events.

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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.
Petroleum Development Corporation
Date November 11, 2003
By /s/ Darwin L. Stump Darwin L. Stump Acting Chief Financial Officer