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) May 5, 2005

<u>Petroleum Development Corporation</u> (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 304-842-3597

no change

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

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On May 6, 2005, the Company issued a news release announcing financial and operating results for the first quarter ended March 31, 2005.

EXHIBIT INDEX

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits.

The news releases are filed herewith as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

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 May 6, 2005
By /s/ Darwin L. Stump Darwin L. Stump Chief Financial Officer