

MURPHY OIL CORP /DE  
Form 8-K  
February 02, 2005

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**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

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**FORM 8-K**

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**CURRENT REPORT**

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

Date of report (Date of earliest event reported): February 2, 2005

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**MURPHY OIL CORPORATION**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

**1-8590**  
(Commission File Number)

**71-0361522**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**200 Peach Street**  
**P.O. Box 7000, El Dorado, Arkansas**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**71731-7000**  
(Zip Code)

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Registrant's telephone number, including area code 870-862-6411

**Not applicable**

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

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  - .. **Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))**
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**Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition**

On February 2, 2005, Murphy Oil Corporation issued a press release announcing its earnings for the fourth quarter and year that ended on December 31, 2004. The press release is being furnished as an exhibit to this report and is incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits**

(c) Exhibits

99.1 Press release dated February 2, 2005, issued by Murphy Oil Corporation.

**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.

MURPHY OIL CORPORATION

By: /s/ John W. Eckart

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John W. Eckart  
Controller

Date: February 2, 2005

**Exhibit Index**

99.1 Press release dated February 2, 2005, as issued by Murphy Oil Corporation.