ANADARKO PETROLEUM CORP Form 8-K November 10, 2011

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): November 9, 2011

ANADARKO PETROLEUM CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction

001-08968 (Commission 76-0146568 (I.R.S. Employer

of incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

1201 Lake Robbins Drive,

The Woodlands, Texas 77380-1046

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(832) 636-1000

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

N/A

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

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- " Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 5.02(b) Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers

(b) On November 9, 2011, Messrs. Robert J. Allison, Jr. and John R. Butler, Jr. announced their retirement from the Board of Directors (Board) of Anadarko Petroleum Corporation (the Company), effective December 31, 2011. Messrs. Allison s and Butler s retirements are a result of each of them reaching the Company s mandatory retirement age for directors as provided in the Company s Corporate Governance Guidelines and not as a result of any disagreement with the Company. Mr. Allison serves as a member of the Board s Executive Committee. Mr. Butler serves as a member of the Board s Audit Committee and Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee.

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 thereunto duly authorized officer.

ANADARKO PETROLEUM CORPORATION

(Registrant)

November 10, 2011

By: /s/ Robert K. Reeves Robert K. Reeves

Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Chief

Administrative Officer