

PEDEVCO CORP
Form 8-K
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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): December 1, 2018

001-35922
(Commission file number)

PEDEVCO CORP.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Texas
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

22-3755993
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

1250 Wood Branch Park Dr., Suite 400
Houston, Texas 77079
(Address of principal executive offices)

(855) 733-3826
(Issuer's telephone number)

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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the

Exchange Act.

Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On December 1, 2018, the Board of Directors of PEDEVCO Corp. (the “Company”, “PEDEVCO”, “we” and “us”) appointed Paul A. Pinkston as the Chief Accounting Officer of the Company and Mr. Pinkston commenced employment with the Company pursuant to the terms of an Offer Letter, dated October 16, 2018, and effective December 1, 2018, entered into by and between the Company and Mr. Pinkston (the “Offer Letter”). Also effective on December 1, 2018, Mr. Pinkston shall serve as the Company’s Principal Financial and Accounting Officer of the Company, replacing Gregory L. Overholtzer, who continues to serve as Chief Financial Officer of the Company.

Pursuant to the Offer Letter, Mr. Pinkston agreed to serve as Chief Accounting Officer of the Company on an at-will basis, the Company agreed to pay Mr. Pinkston \$11,666.67 per month, Mr. Pinkston is eligible for an annual bonus in the discretion of the Board of Directors of the Company totaling up to 30% of his then current salary, Mr. Pinkston may also receive grants of restricted stock and options in the Board of Directors’ sole discretion, and Mr. Pinkston’s employment may be terminated by him or the Company with 30 days prior written notice. In addition, subject to the approval of the Board of Directors, Mr. Pinkston will be granted 30,000 shares of the Company’s common stock under the Company’s employee equity incentive plan, 50% of which shares vest on Mr. Pinkston’s one (1) year anniversary of his employment commencement date, and 50% of which shares vest on Mr. Pinkston’s two (2) year anniversary of his employment commencement date, subject to Mr. Pinkston’s continued service with the Company and the terms of a Board-approved restricted stock purchase agreement to be entered into between Mr. Pinkston and the Company, which shares have not yet been granted to Mr. Pinkston, but are planned to be granted shortly after the filing of this report.

The Offer Letter contains standard confidentiality provisions and a standard a non-solicitation provision prohibiting him from inducing or attempting to induce any employee of the Company from leaving their employment with the Company and/or attempting to induce any consultant, service provider, customer or business relation of the Company from terminating their relationship with the Company during the term of his employment and for one year thereafter.

Other than the Offer Letter, Mr. Pinkston is not a party to any material plan, contract or arrangement (whether or not written) with the Company and there are no arrangements or understandings between Mr. Pinkston and any other person pursuant to which he was selected to serve as an officer of the Company, nor is he a participant in any related party transaction required to be reported pursuant to Item 404(a) of Regulation S-K. There are no family relationships between Mr. Pinkston and any other officer or director of the Company.

Biographical information for Mr. Pinkston is provided below:

Paul A. Pinkston, Age 51

Mr. Pinkston brings over 20 years of accounting, compliance, and financial reporting expertise to the Company, with extensive experience in handling and managing corporate compliance, financial reporting and audits, and other regulatory functions for companies engaged in the oil and gas industry in the U.S. Prior to joining the Company, from August 2017 to February 2018, Mr. Pinkston served as Corporate Controller and Secretary for Trecora Resources (NYSE: TREC), a Sugar Land, Texas-based petrochemical manufacturing and customer processing service company. Prior to joining Trecora Resources, from May 2013 to June 2017, Mr. Pinkston served in various roles of increasing authority and responsibility at Camber Energy, Inc. (NYSE American: CEI), a Houston, Texas-based oil and gas exploration and production company, including as Camber Energy's Chief Accounting Officer, Secretary and Treasurer (August 2016 to June 2017), and as its Director of Financial Reporting (May 2013 to August 2016). Before joining Camber Energy, Mr. Pinkston served as a Senior Consultant with Sirius Solutions LLLP, where he performed accounting, audit and finance consulting services (January 2006 to May 2013), as a Corporate Auditor performing internal audits for Baker Hughes, Inc. (January 2002 to November 2005), and as a Senior Auditor, conducting public and private audits, at Arthur Andersen LLP (from September 1998 to November 2001).

Mr. Pinkston received a Bachelor of Business Administration (Finance and Marketing) degree from the University of Texas and earned a Master of Business Administration (Accounting) degree from the University of Houston. Mr. Pinkston is a Certified Public Accountant registered in the State of Texas.

The foregoing description of the Offer Letter does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the Offer Letter, a copy of which is attached as Exhibit 10.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No.	Description
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<u>10.1</u> *	Offer Letter with Paul A. Pinkston as Chief Accounting Officer, dated October 16, 2018
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* Filed herewith.

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.

PEDEVCO CORP.

Date: December 3, 2018 By: /s/ Dr. Simon Kukes
Dr. Simon Kukes
Chief Executive Officer

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