

MURPHY OIL CORP /DE  
Form 8-K  
January 19, 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): January 18, 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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- .. **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))**
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**Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition**

The following information is furnished pursuant to Item 2.02, Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On January 18, 2005, Murphy Oil Corporation released information regarding its expected results of operations for the quarter ended December 31, 2004. The full text of this press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

**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: January 19, 2005

**Exhibit Index**

99.1 Press release dated January 18, 2005, as issued by Murphy Oil Corporation.