

ANADARKO PETROLEUM CORP

Form 8-K

December 16, 2008

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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 Earliest Event Reported: December 10, 2008
Commission File No. 1-8968
ANADARKO PETROLEUM CORPORATION
1201 Lake Robbins Drive, The Woodlands, Texas 77380-1046 (832) 636-1000**

Incorporated in the
State of Delaware

Employer Identification
No. 76-0146568

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Item 8.01 Other Events

On December 10, 2008, Anadarko Petroleum Corporation (the Company) announced the closing of and related anticipated use of proceeds from the previously-announced sale of its 50-percent interest in the Peregrino heavy-oil field offshore Brazil to StatoilHydro.

The Company s press release dated December 10, 2008, announcing the closing and the anticipated use of proceeds therefrom, is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Press release dated December 10, 2008.

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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)

December 16, 2008

By: /s/ Robert K. Reeves
Robert K. Reeves
Senior Vice President, General Counsel,
and Chief Administrative Officer