PATTERSON UTI ENERGY INC Form 8-K April 28, 2005

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):

April 28, 2005

Patterson-UTI Energy, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

0-22664

(Commission

File Number)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

4510 Lamesa Hwy., Snyder, Texas

(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code:

Not Applicable

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:

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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))

75-2504748

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

79549

(Zip Code)

325-574-6300

<u>Top of the Form</u> Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

The Company wishes to disclose its press release dated April 28, 2005, furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1, relating to the Company's financial results for the three months ended March 31, 2005 and the approval of a regular quarterly cash dividend of \$0.04 per share.

Item 8.01. Other Events.

On April 27, 2005, the Board of Directors of Patterson-UTI Energy, Inc. approved a quarterly cash dividend on each share of its common stock in the amount of \$0.04 per share. The dividend is to be paid to holders of record on May 16, 2005 and to be paid on June 1, 2005.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits.

99.1 Press Release dated April 28, 2005, relating to the financial results of Patterson-UTI Energy, Inc. for the three months ended March 31, 2005 and the approval of a regular quarterly cash dividend of \$0.04 per share.

The information in this report is being furnished and shall not be deemed to be "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, shall not otherwise be subject to the liabilities of that section and shall not be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

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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 hereunto duly authorized.

Patterson-UTI Energy, Inc.

April 28, 2005

By: /s/ Jonathan D. Nelson

Name: Jonathan D. Nelson Title: Vice President - Finance, Chief Financial Officer, Secretary and Treasurer

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