

NUEVO ENERGY CO  
Form 8-K  
April 28, 2004

**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, 2004**

**Nuevo Energy Company**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

**Delaware**

(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or organization)

**76-0304436**

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

**1021 Main, Suite 2100, Houston, Texas**

(Address of principal executive offices)

**77002**

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(713) 652-0706**

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**ITEM 5. OTHER EVENTS**

On April 28, 2004, Nuevo Energy Company announced the buyout of a contingent payment with Unocal in a press release attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

**ITEM 7. EXHIBITS**

**(a) Exhibits**

99.1 Press release dated April 28, 2004, announcing the buyout of a contingent payment with Unocal.

**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) 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.

**NUEVO ENERGY COMPANY**  
(Registrant)

Date: April 28, 2004

By: /s/ Michael S. Wilkes  
Michael S. Wilkes  
*Chief Financial Officer*  
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**EXHIBIT INDEX**

<b>Exhibit No.</b>	<b>Description</b>
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