OCCIDENTAL PETROLEUM CORP /DE/ Form 8-K May 11, 2007

# 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): May 9, 2007

# OCCIDENTAL PETROLEUM CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware1-921095-4035997(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)(Commission (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

#### 10889 Wilshire Boulevard

Los Angeles, California

90024

(ZIP code)

(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (310) 208-8800

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the Registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
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#### Section 7 Regulation FD

#### Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure

On May 11, 2007, Occidental Petroleum Corporation issued a press release announcing (i) its sale of 6,990,070 shares of the common stock of Lyondell Chemical Company in a private transaction that settled on Wednesday, May 9, 2007, as well as (ii) its intention to dispose of its remaining interest in the common stock of Lyondell Chemical Company. The press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this report and is incorporated herein by reference.

#### Section 9 Financial Statements and Exhibits

#### Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press Release dated May 11, 2007

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#### **SIGNATURE**

DATE: May 11, 2007

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.

OCCIDENTAL PETROLEUM CORPORATION

(Registrant)

/s/ JIM A. LEONARD

Jim A. Leonard, Vice President and Controller (Principal Accounting and Duly Authorized Officer)

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99.1 Press Release dated May 11, 2007