OCCIDENTAL PETROLEUM CORP /DE/ Form 8-K February 03, 2010

### 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) February 3, 2010

OCCIDENTAL PETROLEUM CORPORATION (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 1-9210 (Commission File Number) 95-4035997 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

10889 Wilshire Boulevard Los Angeles, California (Address of principal executive offices)

90024 (ZIP code)

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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[] Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Section 8 - Other Events

Item 8.01. Other Events

On February 3, 2010, Occidental Petroleum Corporation issued a press release announcing preliminary proved reserves totaling 3.23 billion barrels of oil equivalent compared to 2.98 billion barrels of oil equivalent at the end of 2008. The full text of the press release is attached to this report as Exhibit 99.1.

Section 9 - Financial Statements and Exhibits

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

- (d) Exhibits
  - 99.1 Press release dated February 3, 2010.

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#### 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.

#### OCCIDENTAL PETROLEUM CORPORATION (Registrant)

DATE: February 3, 2010 /s/ ROY PINECI Roy Pineci, Vice President, Controller and Principal Accounting Officer

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## EXHIBIT INDEX

99.1 Press release dated February 3, 2010.