NEWFIELD EXPLORATION CO /DE/ Form 8-K July 21, 2004

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): July 20, 2004

NEWFIELD EXPLORATION COMPANY

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

1-12534

(Commission File Number)

72-1133047

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

363 N. Sam Houston Parkway E., Suite 2020 Houston, Texas 77060

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(281) 847-6000

(Registrant s Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

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Item 5. Other Events and Regulation FD Disclosure

On July 20, 2004, Newfield issued a press release announcing that it had acquired all of the outstanding stock of Denbury Offshore, Inc., the subsidiary of Denbury Resources, Inc. that holds all of its Gulf of Mexico assets. As a result of the acquisition, Newfield also announced that it was increasing its 2004 production guidance. A copy of the press release is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 7. Financial Statements, Pro Forma Financial Information and Exhibits

- (c) Exhibits
 - 99.1 Press release issued by Newfield Exploration Company on July 20, 2004.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this Form 8-K to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

NEWFIELD EXPLORATION COMPANY

Date: July 21, 2004 By: /s/ TERRY W. RATHERT

Terry W. Rathert

Vice President and Chief Financial Officer (Authorized Officer and Principal Financial Officer)

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99.1	Press release issued by Newfield Exploration Company on July 20, 2004.