Genie Energy Ltd.
Form 8-K
January 31, 2012

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): January 30, 2012

GENIE ENERGY LTD.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	1-35327 (Commission File Number)	45-2069276 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

550 Broad Street Newark, New Jersey (Address of principal executive offices)	07102 (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (973) 438-3500

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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

¨ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

¨ Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)

¨ 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))

Item 5.03 Amendments to Article of Incorporation or Bylaws; Change in Fiscal Year.

(b) On January 30, 2012, the Board of Directors of Genie Energy Ltd. (the "Registrant") changed the fiscal year end from July 31 to December 31. The Registrant will file a transition report on Form 10-Q covering the transition period of August 1, 2011 to December 31, 2011 by March 15, 2012.

A copy of the January 31, 2012 press release relating to the above event is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No.	Document
99.1	Press Release of the Registrant, dated January 31, 2012.

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.

GENIE ENERGY LTD.

By: /s/ Claude Pupkin
Name: Claude Pupkin
Title: Chief Executive Officer

Dated: January 31, 2012

EXHIBIT INDEX

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