WHITING PETROLEUM CORP Form 8-K May 07, 2010

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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 6, 2010 Whiting Petroleum Corporation

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 1-31899 20-0098515

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

1700 Broadway, Suite 2300, Denver, Colorado 80290-2300 (Address of principal executive offices, including ZIP code) (303) 837-1661

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 C.F.R. §240.13e-4(c))

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Whiting Petroleum Corporation held its annual meeting of stockholders on May 6, 2010. Of the 51,437,580 shares outstanding as of the record date, 46,688,524 shares (approximately 90.77%) were present or represented by proxy at the meeting. The Company s stockholders approved all of management s nominees and proposals. Specifically, the election of Thomas L. Aller and Thomas P. Briggs; the amendment to Whiting Petroleum Corporation s certificate of incorporation to increase the number of authorized shares of common stock; and the ratification of the appointment of Deloitte & Touche LLP as independent registered public accounting firm were approved by the Company s stockholders at the annual meeting of stockholders. The results of the voting on the matters submitted to the stockholders are as follows:

1. Election of directors for terms expiring at the 2013 Annual Meeting and until their successors are duly elected and qualified.

		Shares Voted		
			Broker Non-	
Name of Nominee	For	Withheld	Vote	
Thomas L. Aller	41,933,393	543,384	4,211,747	
Thomas P. Briggs	41,961,619	515,158	4,211,747	

2. Approval of Amendment to Certificate of Incorporation to Increase Number of Authorized Shares of Common stock.

Shares Voted

			Broker Non-	
For	Against	Abstain	Vote	
40,537,303	6,133,571	17,650	0	

3. Ratification of Appointment of Deloitte & Touche LLP as the Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm for 2010.

Shares Voted

			Broker Non-
For	Against	Abstain	Vote
46,217,240	358,285	112,999	0

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SIGNATURES

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.

WHITING PETROLEUM CORPORATION

Date: May 6, 2010 By: /s/ James J. Volker

James J. Volker

Chairman, President and Chief

Executive Officer

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