

BETA OIL & GAS INC  
Form 8-K  
October 02, 2002

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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):**

October 1, 2002

BETA OIL & GAS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Nevada  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or organization)

333-68381  
(Commission File Number)

86-0876964  
(I.R.S. Employer Identification  
No.)

6120 S. Yale, Suite 813, Tulsa, OK  
(Address of principal executive offices)

74136  
(Zip Code)

**(918) 495-1011**

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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Item 5. OTHER EVENTS.

Mr. David Wilkins has been appointed President and Chief Executive Officer of the Registrant, succeeding Mr. Steve Antry, who has resigned. A press release announcing this event is included as an exhibit to this report.

Item 7. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

99.1 Press Release dated October 2, 2002.

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 who is duly authorized.

BETA OIL & GAS, INC.

Date: October 2, 2001

By /s/ Joseph L. Burnett

Joseph L. Burnett  
Chief Financial Officer and  
Principal Accounting Officer