

O A O TATNEFT
Form 6-K
August 04, 2006

FORM 6-K

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

Report of Foreign Issuer
August 04, 2006

Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 of
The Securities and Exchange Act of 1934

OA O TATNEFT
(also known as TATNEFT)

(name of Registrant)

75 Lenin Street
Almetyevsk, Tatarstan 423450
Russian Federation

(Address of principal executive offices)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover Form 20-F or Form 40F.

Form 20-F...X.... Form 40-F.....

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant by furnishing the information contained in this Form is also thereby furnishing the information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Yes..... No... X....

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On August 4, 2006, OA O Tatneft issued the following press-release:

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PricewaterhouseCoopers auditing Tatneft's U.S. GAAP financial statements

4 August 2006

QAO Tatneft (the "Company") announces today that its financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2005 were prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (U.S. GAAP) (the "2005 U.S. GAAP financial statements") and have been audited by ZAO PricewaterhouseCoopers Audit ("PwC").

As previously communicated, the Company expects to publish the 2005 U.S. GAAP financial statements 20-F for 2005 (the "2005 20-F") with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, as well as financial statements for the first six months of 2006 in the fourth quarter of 2006. The Company is timetabling with regard to the finalization of the 2005 U.S. GAAP financial statements, the filing of its unaudited U.S. GAAP financial statements for the first six months of 2006 by the end of August 2006.

The decision to engage PwC was made following a review by the Company of its work with external the preparation of the Company's financial statements under U.S. GAAP and discussions between U.S. GAAP financial statements for prior years. The Company's U.S. GAAP financial statements and 2004 respectively, have been audited by Ernst & Young, and the Company's U.S. GAAP financial were audited by PwC.

As announced on June 26, 2006, the Company intends to delist its securities from the New York Stock Exchange, to deregister from the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission. At the same time, the Company will continue to maintain its listing on the London Stock Exchange, and will continue to follow strong corporate governance practices and adherence to regular disclosure about the Company's financial performance pursuant to recognized international standards and regulatory requirements (including those required by the connection with the listing of the Company's securities on the London Stock Exchange).

Forward-looking statements: This press release contains certain forward-looking statements of assurance that any of the events mentioned in such statements will occur, or as to the precise timing

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, thereunto duly authorized.

OAO TATNEFT

By: _____

Name:(Vladimir P. Lavushchenko)

Title: (Deputy General Director for Economics, Chairman of Disclosure Committee)

Date: August 04, 2006