

CHESAPEAKE ENERGY CORP  
Form NT 10-Q  
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**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

**Washington, D.C. 20549**

**FORM 12b-25**

**NOTIFICATION OF LATE FILING**

*(Check One):*     Form 10-K or 10-KSB     Form 20-F     Form 11-K     Form 10-Q or 10-QSB

Form 10-D     Form N-SAR     Form N-CSR

For Period Ended: March 31, 2012

- Transition Report on Form 10-K
- Transition Report on Form 20-F
- Transition Report on Form 11-K
- Transition Report on Form 10-Q
- Transition Report on Form N-SAR

For the Transition Period Ended:

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**Nothing in this form shall be construed to imply that the Commission has verified any information contained herein.**

If the notification relates to a portion of the filing checked above, identify the Item(s) to which the notification relates:

**PART I REGISTRANT INFORMATION**

# **Chesapeake Energy Corporation**

Full name of registrant

N/A

Former name if applicable

**6100 North Western Avenue**

Address of principal executive office (*street and number*)

**Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73118**

City, state and zip code

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**PART II RULES 12b-25(b) AND (c)**

If the subject report could not be filed without unreasonable effort or expense and the registrant seeks relief pursuant to Rule 12b-25(b), the following should be completed. (Check box if appropriate)

- (a) The reasons described in reasonable detail in Part III of this form could not be eliminated without unreasonable effort or expense;
- (b) The subject annual report, semi-annual report, transition report on Form 10-K, Form 20-F, Form 11-K, Form N-SAR or Form N-CSR, or portion thereof, will be filed on or before the fifteenth calendar day following the prescribed due date; or the subject quarterly report or transition report on Form 10-Q, or subject distribution report on Form 10-D, or portion thereof, will be filed on or before the fifth calendar day following the prescribed due date; and
- (c) The accountant's statement or other exhibit required by Rule 12b-25(c) has been attached if applicable.

**PART III NARRATIVE**

State below in reasonable detail why Forms 10-K or 10-KSB, 20-F, 11-K, 10-Q or 10-QSB, 10-D, N-SAR, N-CSR, or the transition report or portion thereof, could not be filed within the prescribed time period.

Chesapeake Energy Corporation (the Company) is unable to file, without unreasonable effort or expense, its Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the period ended March 31, 2012 (the Form 10-Q). Additional time is needed for the Company to compile and analyze supporting documentation in order to complete the Form 10-Q and in order to permit the Company's independent registered public accounting firm to complete its review of the unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements included in the Form 10-Q. The Company intends to file the Form 10-Q later today May 11, 2012.

**PART IV OTHER INFORMATION**

- (1) Name and telephone number of person to contact in regard to this notification

**Domenic J. Dell Osso, Jr.**  
(Name)

**(405)**  
(Area Code)

**848-8000**  
(Telephone Number)

- (2) Have all other periodic reports required under Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30 of the Investment Company Act of 1940 during the preceding 12 months or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such report(s) been filed? If answer is no, identify report(s).  Yes  No
- (3) Is it anticipated that any significant change in results of operations from the corresponding period for the last fiscal year will be reflected by the earnings statements to be included in the subject report or portion thereof?  Yes  No

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If so, attach an explanation of the anticipated change, both narratively and quantitatively, and, if appropriate, state the reasons why a reasonable estimate of the results cannot be made.

In the Company's earnings release issued on May 1, 2012 and furnished as an exhibit to its Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on May 2, 2012, for the three months ended March 31, 2012, the Company reported a net loss available to common stockholders of \$71 million (\$0.11 per fully diluted common share) on revenue of \$2.419 billion. For the three months ended March 31, 2011, the Company reported a net loss available to common stockholders of \$205 million (\$0.32 per fully diluted common share) on revenue of \$1.612 billion.

**Chesapeake Energy Corporation**  
(Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

has caused this notification to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

CHESAPEAKE ENERGY CORPORATION

Date: May 11, 2012

By /s/ DOMENIC J. DELL OSSO, JR.  
Domenic J. Dell Osso, Jr.

Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

**ATTENTION**

**Intentional misstatements or omissions of fact constitute Federal Criminal Violations (See 18 U.S.C. 1001).**