ANADARKO PETROLEUM CORP Form 8-K July 12, 2006

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# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 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) July 7, 2006 (July 12, 2006)

#### ANADARKO PETROLEUM CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 1-8968 76-0146568

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

(Commission File Number)

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

1201 Lake Robbins Drive The Woodlands, Texas 77380-1046

(Address of principal executive offices including Zip Code)

(832) 636-1000

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

N.A.

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c)

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#### Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

On July 7, 2006, Anadarko Petroleum Corporation (the Company ) entered into Amendment No. 1 to Agreement and Plan of Merger (the Amendment ), by and among the Company, APC Merger Sub, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company and Western Gas Resources, Inc. (Western ). The Amendment, among other things, clarifies the circumstances in which Western will be required to pay a termination fee to the Company. A copy of the Amendment is attached hereto as Exhibit 2.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

#### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits:

#### **Exhibit**

#### No. Document

Amendment No. 1 to Agreement and Plan of Merger dated as of July 7, 2006, by and among Anadarko Petroleum Corporation, APC Merger Sub, Inc. and Western Gas Resources, Inc.

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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.

ANADARKO PETROLEUM CORPORATION

(Registrant)

Dated: July 12, 2006

By: /s/ Charlene A. Ripley
Charlene A. Ripley, Vice President,
General Counsel, Corporate Secretary
and

Chief Compliance Officer

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