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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 and Exchange Act of 1934

March 17, 2005
Date of Report

CIMAREX ENERGY CO.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware001-3144645-0466694(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)(Commission (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

1700 Lincoln Street, Suite 1800, Denver, Colorado

80203-4518

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code 303-295-3995

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

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On March 18, 2005, Cimarex Energy Co. and Magnum Hunter Resources, Inc. announced expiration of the waiting period under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act applicable to Cimarex's acquisition of Magnum Hunter.

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A copy of the joint press release of Cimarex Energy Co. and Magnum Hunter is included herein as Exhibit 99.1.

In connection with the proposed acquisition, Cimarex and Magnum Hunter filed with the SEC on February 25, 2005, a joint proxy statement/prospectus on Form S-4 that contains important information about the merger. Investors and security holders of Cimarex and Magnum Hunter are urged to read the joint proxy statement/prospectus filed with the SEC, and any other relevant materials filed by Cimarex or Magnum Hunter, as well as any amendments or supplements to those documents, because they contain important information about Cimarex, Magnum Hunter and the merger. Investors and security holders may obtain these documents (and any other documents filed by Cimarex and Magnum Hunter with the SEC) free of charge at the SEC's website at www.sec.gov. In addition, the documents filed with the SEC may be obtained free of charge (i) at www.cimarex.com or www.magnumhunter.com or (ii) by directing a request to Mary Kay Rohrer, Assistant Corporate Secretary, Cimarex Energy Co., phone: 303-295-3995, fax: 303-295-3494; or Morgan F. Johnston, Corporate Secretary, Magnum Hunter Resources, Inc., phone: 972-401-0752, fax: 972-443-6487. Investors and security holders are urged to read the joint proxy statement/prospectus and the other relevant materials before making any voting or investment decision with respect to the proposed acquisition.

Cimarex, Magnum Hunter and their respective executive officers and directors may be deemed to be participants in the solicitation of proxies from the stockholders of Cimarex and Magnum Hunter in favor of the merger. Information about the executive officers and directors of Cimarex and their ownership of Cimarex common stock is set forth in the proxy statement for its 2004 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, which was filed with the SEC in April 2004. Information about the executive officers and directors of Magnum Hunter and their ownership of Magnum Hunter common stock is set forth in the proxy statement for their 2004 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, which was filed with the SEC in August 2004. Investors and security holders may obtain more detailed information regarding the direct and indirect interests of Cimarex, Magnum Hunter and their respective executive officers and directors in the merger by reading the joint proxy statement/prospectus when it becomes available.

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(c) Exhibits

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press Release dated May 18, 2005

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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.

CIMAREX ENERGY CO.

Dated: March 18, 2005 By: /s/ PAUL KORUS

Paul Korus, Vice President, Chief Financial Officer, Treasurer and Secretary

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