

EQUITABLE RESOURCES INC /PA/

Form 8-K

October 27, 2005

**UNITED STATES
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 27, 2005**

EQUITABLE RESOURCES, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

PENNSYLVANIA

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

1-3551

(Commission File Number)

25-0464690

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

225 North Shore Drive, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

15212
(Zip Code)

(412) 553-5700

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

NONE

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(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (*see* General Instruction A.2. below):

- o Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

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 - o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

 - 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 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

Today, Equitable Resources, Inc. (Equitable) issued a press release announcing its third quarter 2005 earnings. A copy of Equitable s press release is attached hereto and furnished as Exhibit 99 and is incorporated in this report by reference.

The information in this Form 8-K and in Exhibit 99 attached hereto shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933.

In addition to reporting financial results in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, or GAAP, Equitable provides certain segment related financial and operating information as additional information for its operating results in the press release. Equitable s management believes that the presentation of this segment information provides useful information to management and investors regarding the financial condition, operations and trends of each of Equitable s segments without being obscured by the financial condition, operations and trends for the other segments, or by the effects of corporate allocations of interest and income taxes. In addition, management uses these measures for budget planning purposes.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

EQUITABLE RESOURCES, INC.
(Registrant)

By: /s/ Philip P. Conti
Philip P. Conti
Vice President, Chief Financial
Officer and Treasurer

Date: October 27, 2005

EXHIBIT INDEX

| Exhibit No. | Document Description |
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| 99 | Press release dated October 27, 2005 issued by Equitable Resources, Inc. |