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FORM 12b-25

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NOTIFICATION OF LATE FILING

[X] Form 10-Q

For the Quarterly Period Ended September 30, 2006

Part I Registrant Information

Full Name of Registrant: Tri-Valley Corporation

Address of Principal Executive Office (Street and Number)

4550 California Blvd Suite 600 Bakersfield, CA 93309

Part II Rules 12b-25(b) and (c)

- (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 Report on Form 10-Q will be filed on or before the fifth calendar day following the prescribed due date.

Part III Narrative

The Report on Form 10-Q for Tri-Valley Corporation, (the Company) for the quarterly period ended September 30, 2006, is due to be filed on November 9, 2006. The Company needs additional time to complete its review of its financial statements because of transactions that occurred near and just after the end of the quarter, in order to file an accurate quarterly report. The Company expects that its Form 10-Q will be filed

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before November 14, 2006.

| Part IV Other Information | |
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| (1) Name and telephone | number of person to contact in regard to this information. |
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| 1934 or Section 30 of the Inve | dic reports required under section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of stment Company Act of 1940 during the preceding 12 months or for such at was required to file such report(s) been filed? If the answer is no, identify |
| [X] Yes [|] No |
| | any significant change in results of operations from the corresponding period eflected by the earnings statements to be included in the subject report or |
| [X] Yes [|] No |
| compared to a loss of \$479 tho | from operations for the third quarter of 2006 of approximately \$2.7 million, usand in the third quarter of 2005. This loss is slightly less than the quarterly quarters of 2006 of approximately \$3.2 million in the quarter ended June 30, uarter ended March 31, 2006. |
| incurred in connection with rel of this year, increased general expenses associated with begin | acreased third quarter 2006 loss, compared to Q3 of 2005, are increased costs furbishing drilling rigs for our two new drilling subsidiaries in the third quarter and employee costs associated with new oil and gas operations and increased uning mining of our industrial minerals property, combined with reduceding and development operations in 2006 compared to 2005. |
| | Signatures |
| Tri-Valley Corporation has authorized. | caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly |
| | Tri-Valley Corporation |
| Date: November 10, 2006 | /s/ Arthur M. Evans Arthur M. Evans, Chief Financial Officer |