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FORM 6-K

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

Report of Foreign Issuer August 18, 2006

Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 of The Securities and Exchange Act of 1934

> OAO TATNEFT (also known as TATNEFT)

> > (name of Registrant)

75 Lenin Street Almetyevsk, Tatarstan 423450 Russian Federation

(Address of principal executive offices)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover Form 20-F or Form 40F.

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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant by furnishing the information contained in this Form is also thereby furnishing the information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Yes..... No... X....

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On August 18, OAO Tatneft issued the following press-release:

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OAO Tatneft notifies the New York Stock Exchange of its intention to delist its securities

18 August 2006

Today OAO Tatneft (NYSE: TNT; LSE: ATAD) (the "Company") notified the New York Stock Exchange (the "NYSE") of its determination to withdraw the ordinary shares of the Company (the "Ordinary Shares") and American Depositary Shares representing them (the "ADSs", and together with the Ordinary Shares, the " Company's securities") from listing on the NYSE. The Company expects to file Form 25 with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") to withdraw the Company's securities from listing on the NYSE on or about September 4th, 2006.

The delisting from the NYSE was approved by the Board of Directors of the Company on June 30th, 2006, and a copy of the relevant resolution of the Board of Directors was furnished to the SEC on Form 6-K on June 30th, 2006.

As announced by the Company in its press-release of June 26th, 2006, the decision to delist from the NYSE and, when circumstances permit, to terminate the registration with the SEC had been taken following a review of the appropriateness of maintaining multiple international listings. The Company is the only major Russian issuer to have a listing in both London and New York. Given the increase in recent years in costs associated with the registration of the Company's securities with the SEC, a decision was made to concentrate international trading of the Company's equity securities in London.

Following the delisting from the NYSE, the ADSs (redesignated as Global Depositary Receipts) will continue to trade on the London Stock Exchange and the Ordinary Shares will continue to trade on the major Russian stock exchanges (MICEX and RTS). The Company has not arranged for listing and/or registration of the Company's securities on another U.S. securities exchange or for quotation of the Company's securities on any other quotation medium in the United States.

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SIGNATURES

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, thereunto duly authorized.

OAO TATNEFT

By:

Name:(Vladimir P. Lavushchenko) Title: (Deputy General Director for Economics, Chairman of Disclosure Committee)

Date: August 18, 2006