

MAGELLAN PETROLEUM CORP /DE/  
Form 8-K  
August 31, 2010

**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): August 31, 2010 (August 31, 2010)

**Magellan Petroleum Corporation**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

**Delaware**

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

**1-5507**  
(Commission File Number)

**06-0842255**  
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

**7 Custom House Street, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Portland, ME**  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

**04101**  
(Zip Code)

**207-619-8500**

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

**Not Applicable**

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

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

**Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition**

On August 31, 2010, Magellan Petroleum Corporation (the Company) filed with the Australian Securities and Investments Commission and the Australian Stock Exchange (ASX) in Australia a report of preliminary, unaudited financial information with respect to the fiscal year ended June 30, 2010 on Appendix 4E, in accordance with ASX rules and regulations. A copy of the Company's Appendix 4E report dated August 31, 2010 is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1 and is hereby incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits**

(d) Exhibits

The following document is furnished as an exhibit pursuant to Item 2.02 hereof:

Exhibit 99.1 Company Appendix 4E filing made with the ASX, dated August 31, 2010.

**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities 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.

**MAGELLAN PETROLEUM CORPORATION**

By: /s/ Antoine J. Lafargue  
Name: Antoine J. Lafargue

Title: Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer

Dated: August 31, 2010

EXHIBIT INDEX

<b>Exhibit No.</b>	<b>Description</b>
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