

HALLADOR PETROLEUM CO
Form 10QSB
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**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**
Washington, D. C. 20549

FORM 10-QSB

QUARTERLY REPORT UNDER SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES
EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the quarterly period ended June 30, 2006

TRANSITION REPORT UNDER SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES
EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Commission File Number 0-14731

Hallador Petroleum Company

(Name of Small Business Issuer as Specified in Its Charter)

Colorado
(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation
or Organization)

84-1014610
(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

1660 Lincoln St., #2700, Denver, Colorado
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

80264-2701
(Zip Code)

(303) 839-5504 fax: (303) 832-3013
(Issuer's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

Check whether the issuer: (1) filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act during the past 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act).
Yes No

Shares outstanding as of August 14, 2006: 12,168,135

Transitional Small Business Disclosure Format: Yes No

PART 1 - FINANCIAL INFORMATION**ITEM 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS****Consolidated Balance Sheet**

June 30, 2006

(in thousands)

ASSETS

Current assets:

| | | |
|--|----|--------|
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$ | 18,892 |
| Accounts receivable- | | |
| Oil and gas sales | | 554 |
| Well operations | | 188 |
| Sunrise Coal, LLC (paid July 31, 2006) | | 3,814 |
| Total current assets | | 23,448 |

Oil and gas properties, at cost (successful efforts):

| | | |
|---|----|---------|
| Unproved properties | | 217 |
| Proved properties | | 2,376 |
| Less - accumulated depreciation, depletion, amortization and impairment | | (1,802) |
| | | 791 |
| Investment in Sunrise | | 1,500 |
| Investment in CELLC | | 127 |
| Investment in Savoy | | 4,096 |
| Other assets | | 393 |
| | \$ | 30,355 |

LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY

Current liabilities:

| | | |
|--|----|-------|
| Accounts payable and accrued liabilities | \$ | 383 |
| Oil and gas sales payable | | 954 |
| Income tax payable | | 402 |
| Total current liabilities | | 1,739 |

Sunrise loan guarantee 1,500

Stockholders' equity:

| | | |
|---|----|---------|
| Preferred stock, \$.10 par value; 10,000,000 shares authorized; none issued | | |
| Common stock, \$.01 par value; 100,000,000 shares authorized, 12,168,135 shares issued | | 121 |
| Additional paid-in capital | | 29,405 |
| Accumulated deficit | | (2,410) |
| | | 27,116 |
| | \$ | 30,355 |

See accompanying notes.

Consolidated Statement of Operations
(in thousands)

| | Six months ended June 30, | | Three months ended June 30, | |
|--|------------------------------|---------|--------------------------------|---------|
| | 2006 | 2005 | 2006 | 2005 |
| Revenue: | | | | |
| Gas | \$ 471 | \$ 422 | \$ 201 | \$ 211 |
| Oil | 38 | 45 | 15 | 20 |
| Equity income-Savoy | 387 | | 14 | |
| Interest | 438 | 282 | 258 | 149 |
| Property sale - Boomerang | 362 | | 362 | |
| | 1,696 | 749 | 850 | 380 |
| Costs and expenses: | | | | |
| Lease operating | 100 | 98 | 48 | 50 |
| Exploration expenses | 27 | 52 | 23 | 48 |
| Equity loss in CELLC | 96 | 25 | 59 | 25 |
| General and administrative | 782 | 295 | 408 | 127 |
| Aborted reorganization/merger costs | 137 | | | |
| Other | 28 | 97 | 13 | 45 |
| | 1,170 | 567 | 551 | 295 |
| Income before taxes | 526 | 182 | 299 | 85 |
| Income tax | (195) | (60) | (111) | (30) |
| Net income | \$ 331 | \$ 122 | \$ 188 | \$ 55 |
| Net income per share | \$ 0.03 | \$ 0.02 | \$ 0.02 | \$ 0.01 |
| Weighted average shares outstanding-basic | 11,254 | 7,093 | 12,168 | 7,093 |

See accompanying notes.

Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows
(in thousands)

| | Six months ended June 30, | |
|--|---------------------------|-----------|
| | 2006 | 2005 |
| Net cash provided by operating activities: | \$ 14 | \$ 11 |
| Cash flows from investing activities: | | |
| Properties | (340) | (1,541) |
| Investment in COALition | | (326) |
| Decrease in bonds | | 252 |
| Loan to Sunrise | (3,800) | |
| Prospect sales | 3,394 | |
| Distribution from Savoy | 518 | |
| Other | (155) | (2) |
| Net cash used in investing activities | (383) | (1,617) |
| Cash flows from financing activities: | | |
| Stock sale to related party | 7,000 | |
| Repurchase of partnership options | | (407) |
| Distribution to limited partners | | (5,191) |
| Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities | 7,000 | (5,598) |
| Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents | 6,631 | (7,204) |
| Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period | 12,261 | 19,927 |
| Cash and cash equivalents, end of period | \$ 18,892 | \$ 12,723 |

See accompanying notes.

Notes to Financial Statements

1. The interim financial data is unaudited; however, in our opinion, it includes all adjustments, consisting only of normal recurring adjustments necessary for a fair statement of the results for the interim periods. The financial statements included herein have been prepared pursuant to the SEC's rules and regulations; accordingly, certain information and footnote disclosures normally included in GAAP financial statements have been condensed or omitted.
2. Our organization and business, the accounting policies we follow and other information are contained in the notes to our financial statements filed as part of our 2005 Form 10-KSB. This quarterly report should be read in conjunction with that annual report.
3. On April 15, 2005, we issued 750,000 ten-year options to employees at an exercise price of \$2.25. To date no options have been exercised or forfeited. The exercise price was based on the sales price of a March 2005 private stock transaction between one of our shareholders and a third party. These options vest at 1/3 per year over the next three years. There are no more options available for issuance.

Effective January 1, 2006, we adopted the fair value recognition provisions of SFAS 123R, using the modified prospective transition method and therefore have not restated prior periods' results.

We estimated the fair value of the option grant using the Black-Scholes option-pricing model, using the following assumptions: (i) risk free interest rate of 4.24%; (ii) expected life of 10 years; (iii) expected volatility of 120%; and (iv) expected default rate of 5%, and (v) no dividend yield. The average fair value of options granted during 2005 was \$2.15. At June 30, 2006, our 750,000 outstanding stock options had a remaining contractual maturity of nine years and an aggregate intrinsic value of about \$1.2 million.

The total compensation expense related to this plan was \$230,000 for the six months ended June 30, 2006. The impact on earnings per share for the six months ended June 30, 2006 was \$.02 per share. No options were granted during the first quarter of 2005 and none were outstanding. Assuming no more grants, we estimate that for each of the next seven quarters, we will expense about \$115,000 for stock options or \$805,000 in total.

4. In late March 2005, we invested \$325,000 for a 29% interest in a newly formed entity called COALition Energy, LLC (CELLC). CELLC was formed to pursue coal investments. To date CELLC has not commenced significant operations. We account for this investment using the equity method of accounting.

We are in discussions with CELLC to sell our 29% interest back to them at our original cost of \$325,000 and allow CELLC to purchase up to 9% of the Sunrise joint venture. CELLC will not receive any compensation resulting from our entering into the Sunrise joint venture.

Four of our directors, David Hardie, Steven Hardie, Cortlandt Dietler, and Victor Stabio, who is also our CEO and CFO, acquired, at the same proportionate cost, and on the same terms as us, membership interests of 3.09%, 3.09%, 4.64%, and 3.09%, respectively, based on personal investments of \$33,333, \$33,333, \$50,000 and \$33,334, respectively, in CELLC. Some of our directors are also directors of CELLC. An affiliate of Yorktown Energy Partners VI, acquired a 20% interest in CELLC for about \$225,000. Yorktown Energy Partners VI, L.P. owns about 32% of our common stock.

5. In August 2005, we began negotiations to purchase from Yorktown Energy Partners II, L.P. its 32% interest in Savoy Energy LLP, a private company engaged in the oil and gas business primarily in the State of Michigan. A purchase price of \$4.1 million was agreed upon and closing occurred on December 31, 2005. On December 20, 2005 we sold about 1,893,000 shares of our common stock to Yorktown Energy Partners VI, L.P. at \$2.20 per share (about \$4.1 million). We account for our interest in Savoy using the equity method of accounting.

Below (in thousands) are Savoy's: (i) unaudited condensed balance sheet at June 30, 2006, and (ii) unaudited condensed statement of operations for the six months ended June 30, 2006.

Condensed Balance Sheet

| | | |
|---------------------|----|--------|
| Current assets | \$ | 11,306 |
| PP&E, net | | 8,104 |
| | \$ | 19,410 |
| Current liabilities | \$ | 4,571 |
| Partners capital | | 14,839 |
| | \$ | 19,410 |

Condensed Statement Of Operations

| | | |
|------------|----|---------|
| Revenue | \$ | 3,558 |
| Expenses | | (2,348) |
| Net income | \$ | 1,210 |

The difference between our investment account and our pro rata share of the equity of Savoy will be amortized based on Savoy's units of production rate.

In June, we received a distribution from Savoy of about \$133,000 which was credited to the investment account. We have received total distributions of \$518,000 in 2006.

6. In early May, we sold for about \$3.3 million all of our interest in our Albany Shale Gas Lease Play, located in Kentucky, to Approach Oil and Gas Inc., a private company based in Fort Worth, Texas. Approach is controlled by the Yorktown group of companies. We recognized a gain of about \$360,000.

7. As discussed in the first quarter Form 10-QSB, Sunrise informed us of their intention to shut down the Howesville mine, which they did. As a result all of our previous agreements with Sunrise were voided and on July 31, 2006 we entered into a joint venture with Sunrise. Sunrise contributed all of their assets for a 40% interest and we agreed to a \$20.5 million commitment, of which \$7.5 million was paid to Sunrise at closing, to develop the Carlisle mine for a 60% interest. We expect the full \$20.5 million to be expended by the first quarter of 2007. We are to receive 88% of the free cash flow from the Carlisle mine until we recoup our \$20.5 million plus interest at 10%. During the third quarter we will begin consolidating the joint venture at 100% and deducting a 40% minority interest representing Sunrise's ownership in our financial statements. . In addition we remain a guarantor of Sunrise's \$30 million line of credit with two Indiana banks. As of June 30, 2006, \$25.1 million has been drawn down.

The equipment, valued at about \$10 million, that was being used at the Howesville mine is being moved to the Carlisle mine. Sunrise is in discussions with Indiana Power and Light (IPL) regarding the termination of the Howesville coal contract. Sunrise expects resolution of this matter sometime during the third quarter.

In accordance with FIN 45, Guarantor's Accounting and Disclosure Requirements for Guarantees, Including Indirect Guarantees of Indebtedness of Others, we estimate the fair value of the guarantee to be \$1.5 million and such amount is include in the balance sheet. Since we will be consolidating the Sunrise joint venture beginning July 31, 2006, the full amount of the bank borrowings will be reflected on our balance sheet as a note payable.

As a result of these developments, we have expensed about \$137,000 in legal fees which were previously deferred pending closing of the reorganization/merger with Sunrise.

ITEM 2. MD&A

THE FOLLOWING DISCUSSION UPDATES THE MD&A SECTION OF OUR 2005 FORM 10-KSB WHICH WAS FILED ON APRIL 14, 2006 AND SHOULD BE READ IN CONJUNCTION THERETO.

Albany Shale Gas Lease Play

In early May, we sold for about \$3.3 million all of our interest in our Albany Shale Gas Lease Play, located in Kentucky, to Approach Oil and Gas Inc., a private company based in Fort Worth, Texas. Approach is controlled by the Yorktown group of companies. We recognized a gain of about \$360,000.

Sunrise Coal and Loan Guarantee

As discussed in the first quarter Form 10-QSB, Sunrise informed us of their intention to shut down the Howesville mine which they did. As a result all of our previous agreements with Sunrise were voided and on July 31, 2006 we entered into a joint venture with Sunrise. Sunrise contributed all of their assets for a 40% interest and we agreed to a \$20.5 million commitment, of which \$7.5 million was paid to Sunrise at closing, to develop the Carlisle mine for a 60% interest. We expect the full \$20.5 million to be expended by the first quarter of 2007. We are to receive 88% of the free cash flow from the Carlisle mine until we recoup our \$20.5 million plus interest at 10%. Upon recoupment, the ownership reverts back to 60/40. During the third quarter we will begin consolidating the joint venture at 100% and deducting a 40% minority interest representing Sunrise's ownership in our financial statements. In addition we remain a guarantor of Sunrise's \$30 million line of credit with two Indiana banks. As of June 30, 2006, \$25.1 million has been drawn down.

The equipment, valued at about \$10 million, that was being used at the Howesville mine is being moved to the Carlisle mine. Sunrise is in discussions with Indiana Power and Light (IPL) regarding the termination of the Howesville coal contract. Sunrise expects resolution of this matter sometime during the third quarter.

To date Sunrise has not had significant operations and is currently concentrating its efforts in the development of the Carlisle mine.

Carlisle Mine

The Carlisle mine, Sunrise's primary asset, is currently being developed in order to begin shipping coal sometime during the first half of 2007. There is a contract with IPL to purchase up to 880,000 tons per year for six years. Sunrise is talking to other coal purchasers about additional contracts, and if coal prices continue to rise, we believe coal production could peak at about 2.5 million tons per year in five or six years. Recoverable reserves that are presently leased are about 35 million tons.

Sunrise has 87 employees and is running three, eight-hour shifts to develop the Carlisle mine. The numbers of employees during the mining phase will depend on the number of tons of coal being mined.

COALition Energy LLC (CELLC)

We are in discussions with CELLC to sell our 29% interest back to them at our original cost of \$325,000 and allow CELLC to purchase up to 9% of the Sunrise joint venture. CELLC will not receive any compensation resulting from our entering into the Sunrise joint venture.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

By the end of the year, most of our cash will be called by Sunrise for development for the Carlisle mine. We may be required to raise additional capital to fund future cash calls for mine development and expansion.

Results Of Continuing Operations

The tables below (in thousands) provides sales data and average prices for the period.

| | Year-to-date Comparison | | | | | |
|---------------|--------------------------------|--------------|-----------|---------------|--------|-----------|
| | 2006 | | Revenue | 2006 | | Revenue |
| Sales Volume | Average Price | Sales Volume | | Average Price | | |
| Gas-mcf | | | | | | |
| San Juan | 33,530 | \$10.48 | \$351,400 | 31,765 | \$8.93 | \$283,600 |
| Other | 15,765 | 7.61 | 120,000 | 21,450 | 6.47 | 138,800 |
| Oil - barrels | | | | | | |
| Other | 585 | 64.53 | 37,750 | 910 | 49.34 | 44,900 |

| | Quarter-to-date Comparison | | | | | |
|---------------|-----------------------------------|--------------|-----------|---------------|--------|-----------|
| | 2006 | | Revenue | 2006 | | Revenue |
| Sales Volume | Average Price | Sales Volume | | Average Price | | |
| Gas-mcf | | | | | | |
| San Juan | 15,145 | \$9.58 | \$145,100 | 14,690 | \$9.45 | \$138,800 |
| Other | 7,985 | 6.98 | 55,700 | 10,475 | 6.91 | 72,400 |
| Oil - barrels | | | | | | |
| Other | 204 | 75.88 | 15,480 | 379 | 53.57 | 20,300 |

Oil and gas sales and LOE remained about the same comparing 2006 to 2005.

Interest income increased due to higher rates and more cash available for investment.

For the six months, G&A increased by about \$490,000 due primarily to stock option expense of \$230,000, employee bonuses of \$100,000, higher salaries of \$40,000, accounting fees of \$40,000, and higher franchise taxes in New Mexico of \$ 25,000, and late fees to Minerals Management Services for properties held 20 years ago of \$20,000. The legal and accounting fees relate primarily due to consultation regarding the Sunrise transaction.

For the three months G&A increased by about \$280,000 due primarily to stock option expense of \$115,000, employee bonuses of \$100,000 and higher legal and accounting fees of \$30,000.

During the first quarter, we expensed \$137,000 of legal fees related to the merger with Sunrise which was aborted.

ITEM 3. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

We maintain a system of disclosure controls and procedures that are designed for the purposes of ensuring that information required to be disclosed in our SEC reports is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and forms, and that such information is accumulated and communicated to our CEO as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

As of the end of the period covered by this report, we carried out an evaluation, under the supervision and with the participation of our CEO of the effectiveness of the design and operation of our disclosure controls and procedures. Based upon that evaluation, our CEO, who is also our CFO, concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures are effective for the purposes discussed above. There have been no changes in our internal controls or in other factors that could significantly affect these controls subsequent to the date of the evaluation.

PART II—OTHER INFORMATION

ITEM 6.

EXHIBITS

- (a) 31 -- SOX 302 Certification
- 32 -- SOX 906 Certification

SIGNATURE

In accordance with the requirements of the Exchange Act, the Registrant has caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

HALLADOR PETROLEUM COMPANY

Dated: August 14, 2006

By:

/S/VICTOR P. STABIO
CEO and CFO

Signing on behalf of registrant and
as principal financial officer.