PYRAMID OIL CO Form 425 March 31, 2014

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): March 31, 2014

Pyramid Oil Company

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

 $\begin{array}{ccc} \text{California} & & 0\text{-}5525 & 94\text{-}0787340 \\ \text{(State or other jurisdiction} & & \text{(Commission} & & \text{(I.R.S.} \\ & & & \text{Employer} \\ \text{of incorporation)} & & \text{File Number)} & & \text{Identification} \\ & & & \text{No.)} \\ \end{array}$

2008 – 2¶ Street

Bakersfield, California 93301 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (661) 325-1000

Not Applicable

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:

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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 March 31, 2014, Pyramid Oil Company (the "Company") issued a press release announcing its financial results for the fourth quarter and year ended December 31, 2013. A copy of the Company's press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

The information furnished pursuant to this Item 2.02, including Exhibit 99.1, shall not be deemed to be "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), or otherwise subject to the liabilities under that section, and shall not be deemed to be incorporated by reference into any filing of the Company under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act except as expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

Item 8.01. Other Events

As reported in Item 2.02 above, on March 31, 2014, the Company issued a press release announcing its financial results for the fourth quarter and year ended December 31, 2013. A copy of the press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 hereto.

Forward-Looking Statements

The press release furnished as Exhibit 99.1 hereto contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), and Section 21E of the Exchange Act. Statements that are not strictly historical statements constitute forward-looking statements and may often, but not always, be identified by the use of such words such as "expects," "believes," "intends," "anticipates," "plans," "estimates," "potential," "por "probable" or statements that certain actions, events or results "may," "will," "should," or "could" be taken, occur or be achieved. The forward-looking statements include statements about production volumes and the anticipated timing for closing the proposed merger. Forward-looking statements are based on current expectations and assumptions and analyses made by the Company in light of experience and perception of historical trends, current conditions and expected future developments, as well as other factors appropriate under the circumstances. However, whether actual results and developments will conform with expectations is subject to a number of risks and uncertainties, including but not limited to: the possibility that the companies may be unable to obtain stockholder approval or satisfy the other conditions to closing; that problems may arise in the integration of the businesses of the two companies; that the acquisition may involve unexpected costs; the risks of the oil and gas industry (for example, operational risks in exploring for, developing and producing crude oil and natural gas; risks and uncertainties involving geology of oil and

gas deposits); the uncertainty of reserve estimates; the uncertainty of estimates and projections relating to future production, costs and expenses; potential delays or changes in plans with respect to exploration or development projects or capital expenditures; health, safety and environmental risks and risks related to weather; fluctuations in oil and gas prices; inability of management to execute its plans to meet its goals, shortages of drilling equipment, oil field personnel and services, unavailability of gathering systems, pipelines and processing facilities and the possibility that government policies may change. The Company's annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2013, recent current reports on Form 8-K, and other Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") filings discuss some of the important risk factors identified that may affect its business, results of operations, and financial condition. The Company undertakes no obligation to revise or update publicly any forward-looking statements for any reason.

Additional Information About the Merger Transaction and Where to Find it

In connection with the proposed merger transaction between the Company and Yuma Energy, Inc. described in the press release, the Company intends to file with the SEC a registration statement on Form S-4 that will include a proxy statement of the Company that also constitutes a prospectus of the Company relating to Company common stock to be issued pursuant to the merger. The proxy statement/prospectus will include important information about both Yuma Energy, Inc. and the Company. The Company also plans to file other relevant documents with the SEC regarding the proposed transaction. INVESTORS AND SECURITY HOLDERS ARE URGED TO CAREFULLY READ THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT, THE PROXY STATEMENT/PROSPECTUS AND OTHER RELEVANT DOCUMENTS FILED WITH THE SEC IF AND WHEN THEY BECOME AVAILABLE BECAUSE THEY WILL CONTAIN IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THE COMPANY AND THE PROPOSED TRANSACTION. Investors and security holders may obtain these documents when available free of charge at the SEC's website at www.sec.gov. In addition, the documents filed with the SEC by the Company can be obtained free of charge from the Company's website at www.pyramidoil.com.

Participants in Solicitation

The Company and its executive officers and directors may be deemed to be participants in the solicitation of proxies from the stockholders of the Company in respect of the proposed merger transaction. However, the press release does not constitute the solicitation of proxies with respect to the proposed merger. Information regarding the Company's directors and executive officers is available in its annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2013, which was filed with the SEC on March 31, 2014. Other information regarding the participants in the proxy solicitation and a description of their direct and indirect interests, by security holdings or otherwise, will be contained in the joint proxy statement/prospectus and other relevant materials to be filed with the SEC when they become available.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

Exhibit 99.1 Press release, dated March 31, 2014, issued by Pyramid Oil Company

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 hereunto duly authorized.

PYRAMID OIL COMPANY

March 31, 2014 By: /s/ Michael D. Herman

Name: Michael D. Herman

Title: Interim President and Chief Executive Officer