

US ENERGY CORP  
Form 8-K  
January 12, 2009

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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): January 12, 2009 (January 12, 2009)

U.S. ENERGY CORP.

(Exact Name of Company as Specified in its Charter)

Wyoming (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)	0-6814 (Commission File No.)	83-0205516 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)
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Glen L. Larsen Building  
877 North 8th West  
Riverton, WY  
(Address of principal executive  
offices)

82501  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (307) 856-9271

Not Applicable

Former Name, Former Address or Former Fiscal Year.,  
If Changed From 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 (see General Instruction A.2):

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

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Section 8: Other Events

Item 8.01. Milestone Payment Received from Thompson Creek Metals Company Inc.

U.S. Energy Corp. published a press release announcing the receipt of the January 1, 2009 \$1 million option payment from Thompson Creek Metals Company USA on January 2, 2009 paid on behalf of its affiliate, Mt. Emmons Moly Company.

Section 9. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

Exhibit 10.1                      Press Release dated January 12, 2009.

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.

U.S. ENERGY CORP.

Dated: January 12, 2009

By:

/s/ Keith G. Larsen  
Keith G. Larsen, CEO

