# 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): November 1, 2013

# **Evolution Petroleum Corporation**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

#### 001-32942

(Commission File Number)

Nevada

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

41-1781991

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

2500 City West Blvd., Suite 1300, Houston, Texas 77042

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(713) 935-0122

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

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. below):

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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

#### Item 2.05 Costs Associated With Exit or Disposal Activities.

On November 1, 2013, Evolution Petroleum Corporation (the "Company") undertook an initiative refocusing its business to GARP® development that will result in adjustment of its workforce towards a lesser emphasis on engineering and greater emphasis on sales and marketing. Accordingly, the Company expects to accrue a restructuring charge in the second quarter ended December 31, 2013, based on agreements with terminated employees covering salary and benefit continuation and an acceleration of vesting of equity awards in exchange for non-compete clauses that are yet to be determined. At this time, the Company is unable in good faith to provide an estimate or range of estimates of these costs and expenses, the total amount of the costs to be incurred, or an an estimate of the amount or range of amounts of the charge that will result in future cash expenditures. Accordingly, the Company will file a Form 8-K or an amendment to this Form 8-K within four business days of the date it is able to provide such an estimate or range of estimates.

## **Item 8.01 Other Events**

Dividend Policy; Derivative Exercise and Tax Obligations

As previously disclosed on November 11, 2013, the Board of Directors of the Company approved a new growth initiative, a new common stock dividend policy and declared the initial common stock quarterly dividend. A copy of the press release announcing the foregoing is attached as Exhibit 99.1. The new initial quarterly cash dividend is \$0.10 per common share beginning on December 27, 2013 to shareholders of record as of December 6, 2013.

The Company currently has derivatives in the form of stock options and warrants outstanding to purchase up to 4,822,820 shares of common shares at an average exercise price of \$1.99, 3,075,927 of which are non-qualified stock options and warrants. Since derivative holders are not entitled to receive cash dividends, we expect the initiation of our cash dividend policy may motivate some or all of those derivative holders to exercise their derivative holdings, even though such exercise would eliminate the holder's optionality value. The effect of any exercises of the 3,075,927 shares of non-qualified stock options and warrants will create an immediate tax withholding liability to the Company. The holder's reimbursement for the Company's payment of such liabilities is at the discretion of the Stock Plan Administrator. As a result, the Administrator has the current authority to (i) require reimbursement of the tax liabilities from the derivative holder which may result in the holder's simultaneous sale of shares to cover such liabilities, and/or (ii) require the Company to voluntarily repurchase sufficient shares in exchange for making the withholding payments out of the Company's sufficient current cash balances.

#### Delhi

On November 11, 2013, the operator of the Company's Delhi Field interests stated that their forecasts for reversion of our 23.9% working interest may be delayed to October 2014, assuming zero insurance proceeds for the costs and expenses of the June 2013 environmental event. The Company is currently in a dispute with the operator over such delay, as we believe the operator's indemnification obligations would nullify the environmental cost and expense being charged to our Payout account. Assuming the Company's position is correct, we estimate the reversion would be effective in the 4th calendar quarter of 2013.

The Company has also made an environmental event claim on its general liability insurance policy under the "sudden and accidental pollution incident" coverage provisions. Our insurers are investigating the claim and have issued us a reservation of rights letter. It is unclear at this time if our insurance policy will cover costs and expenses should they be allocated to us by the operator.

#### Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No.DescriptionExhibit 99.1Evolution Petroleum Corporation Press Release, dated November 11, 2013.

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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 hereunto duly authorized.

Evolution Petroleum Corporation (Registrant)

Dated: November 12, 2013 By: /s/Sterling H. McDonald

Name: Sterling H. McDonald

Title: Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer

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### INDEX TO EXHIBITS

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Exhibit 99.1 Evolution Petroleum Corporation Press Release, dated November 11, 2013.

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#### **Evolution Petroleum Declares New Common Stock Dividend and Announces Growth Initiative**

**Houston, TX**, November 11, 2013 — Evolution Petroleum Corporation (NYSE MKT: EPM) today announced that the Company's Board of Directors approved a new growth initiative, a new common stock dividend policy and declared the initial common stock quarterly dividend.

#### Highlights include:

- · Initiation of a new quarterly cash dividend of \$0.10 per common share beginning December 27, 2013 to shareholders of record as of December 6, 2013
- · Rationalization and redeployment of resources into focused growth projects incorporating the Delhi Field and the Company's GARP® artificial lift business
- Restructuring of staff to reflect the redeployment of resources and to reduce recurring overhead

Current oil production at the Delhi Field, the Company's primary producing asset, is generating substantial free cash flow. Based on the June 2013 independent reserves report, projected increases in field production and reversion of our 24% working interest are expected to increase our free cash flows from Delhi by more than 400% within the next four years. Consequently, dividend growth over the next four years is a reasonable expectation. Management also believes that its GARP® artificial lift business, based on proprietary patented technology, layers in a new and visible growth catalyst to complement increasing production and cash flows from Delhi. The new dividend on common shares will directly reward shareholders with cash distributions that can be reinvested in accordance with their individual risk profiles.

Evolution Petroleum has established GARP® proof of concept with six commercial installations, giving new life to older wells by increasing oil and gas recoveries and generating material incremental cash flow at minimal cost using existing infrastructure. Management believes it can leverage the success of its initial GARP® installations in the Giddings Field in Texas by expanding into other mature fields to extend the life of wells at or near their economic limits. In addition to legacy horizontal wells, other applications of GARP® include vertical wells either too deep for conventional artificial lift or having thick or multiple pay zones. The low

cost per BOE of installing GARP® offers the potential of another step change in the Company's per share value as acceptance of the technology grows.

As part of the new growth initiative, Company staff is being reduced to lower overhead and restructured to reflect the operational, sales and marketing functions necessary for successful commercialization of GARP®.

Robert Herlin, President and Chief Executive Officer, said: "Responsible and careful capital allocation, combined with operational success and growing industry acceptance of GARP®, has put Evolution in the enviable position of generating free cash flow in excess of the Company's needs for the foreseeable future. While we believe that operational cash flow will be sufficient to fund production growth and a growing dividend, we are also planning to improve liquidity by expanding the borrowing base on our revolving credit facility in order to fund any lumpy capital expenditures at Delhi.

"As major shareholders, the interests of staff and directors are fully aligned with the interests of other shareholders, and we will continue to pursue all options for increasing and unlocking long-term value."

#### **About Evolution Petroleum**

Evolution Petroleum Corporation develops incremental petroleum reserves and shareholder value by applying conventional and specialized technology to known oil and gas resources, onshore in the United States. Principal assets as of June 30, 2013 include 13.8 MMBOE of proved, 11.2 MMBOE of probable reserves, 3.7 MMBOE of possible reserves, and no debt. Assets include a CO<sub>2</sub>-EOR project with growing production in Louisiana's Delhi Field and a patented artificial lift technology designed to extend the life and ultimate recoveries of wells with oil or associated water production. Other assets include royalty interests in almost 3,000 net acres in the Giddings Field, producing wells and proved drilling locations in the Lopez Field in Texas and an interest in a joint venture in the Mississippian Lime play in Kay County, OK with substantial probable reserves. Additional information, including the Company's annual report on Form 10-K and its quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, is available on its website at (www.evolutionpetroleum.com).

#### **Cautionary Statement**

All statements contained in this press release regarding potential results and future plans and objectives of the Company are forward-looking statements that involve various risks and uncertainties. There can be no assurance that such statements will prove to be accurate and actual results and future events could differ materially from those anticipated in such statements. The Company undertakes no obligation to update or review any forward-looking statement, whether as a result of new information, future events, or otherwise. Important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from our expectations include, but are not limited to, those factors that are disclosed under the heading "Risk Factors" and elsewhere in our documents filed from time to time with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission and other regulatory authorities. Statements regarding our ability to complete transactions, successfully apply technology applications in the re-development of oil and gas fields, realize future production volumes, realize success in our drilling and development activity and forecasts of legal claims, prices, future revenues and income and

cash flows and other statements that are not historical facts contain predictions, estimates and other forward-looking statements. Although the Company believes that its expectations are based on reasonable assumptions, it can give no assurance that its goals will be achieved and these statements will prove to be accurate. Important factors could cause actual results to differ materially from those included in the forward-looking state statements.