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): February 12, 2018

MURPHY OIL CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 1-8590 (Commission File Number) 71-0361522 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

300 Peach Street <u>P.O. Box 7000, El Dorado, Arkansas</u> (Address of principal executive offices)

71730-7000 (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code 870-862-6411

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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- [] Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- [] Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- [] Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of theSecurities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2of this chapter).Emerging growth company []

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. []

Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On February 6, 2018, the Executive Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors of the Company approved an increase in base salary for John W. Eckart, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer. Mr. Eckart's base salary was increased to \$623,150.

Further, on February 7, 2018, Mr. Eckart notified the Company of his intention to retire from the Company in 2018. The Company is conducting a search for Mr. Eckart's replacement. Mr. Eckart is expected to continue in his current role until such time as a successor is named and otherwise assist in the transition.

The full text of this news release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Press release dated February 12, 2018.

Signature

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.

MURPHY OIL CORPORATION

Date: February 12, 2018

By: <u>/s/ Christopher D. Hulse</u> Christopher D. Hulse Vice President and Controller

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99.1 News release dated February 12, 2018, as issued by Murphy Oil Corporation.

MURPHY OIL CORPORATION ANNOUNCES CFO INTENTION TO RETIRE

EL DORADO, Arkansas, February 12, 2018 – Murphy Oil Corporation (NYSE: MUR) announced today that John W. Eckart, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, has informed the company of his intention to retire during 2018, after nearly 28 years of service. Currently, Murphy has a search process underway to identify Mr. Eckart's successor. Mr. Eckart is expected to serve in his current role until such time as a successor is named and otherwise assist in the transition.

Mr. Eckart joined Murphy in 1990 as Auditing Manager taking on roles with increasing responsibility, culminating in being named to his current role in 2015. As a member of the company's executive leadership team, Mr. Eckart led the growth and modernization of Murphy's finance and accounting functions, and serves on the company's pension investment, employee benefits, and risk committees. He is widely recognized for his commitment to Murphy and the success of the company.

"On behalf of the company, I want to thank John for his many years of service and wish him all the best in retirement. John has provided sound strategic advice and guidance in managing the financial affairs of the company, and his contributions will be greatly missed," stated Roger Jenkins, President and Chief Executive Officer.

"While I am looking forward to enjoying the next chapter of my life," Eckart commented, "I am enthusiastic for Murphy as it enters this year with a solid portfolio of assets and robust business opportunities, a strong leadership team and outstanding, committed people. Over the course of my career, I have been provided many opportunities and have met wonderful people around the world. I will be leaving behind a great company," Eckart continued.

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ABOUT MURPHY OIL CORPORATION

Murphy Oil Corporation is a global independent oil and natural gas exploration and production company. The company's diverse resource base includes offshore production in Southeast Asia, Canada and Gulf of Mexico, as well as North America onshore plays in the Eagle Ford Shale, Kaybob Duvernay and Montney. Additional information can be found on the company's website at http://www.murphyoilcorp.com.

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