Edgar Filing: PRECISION DRILLING CORP - Form 6-K

PRECISION DRILLING CORP Form 6-K May 21, 2004

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 6-K

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER
PURSUANT TO SECTION 13a-16 OR 15d-16 OF THE
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For May 21, 2004

Commission File Number: 001-14534

PRECISION DRILLING CORPORATION (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

4200, 150 - 6TH AVENUE S.W.

CALGARY, ALBERTA

CANADA T2P 3Y7

(Address of principal executive offices)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover Form 20-F or Form 40-F.

Form 20-F [_] Form 40-F [X]

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is submitting the Form 6-K in paper as permitted by Regulation S-T Rule 101(b)(1). $_$

Note: Regulation S-T Rule 101(b)(1) only permits the submission in paper of a Form 6-K if submitted solely to provide an attached annual report to security holders.

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is submitting the Form 6-K in paper as permitted by Regulation S-T Rule 101(b)(7):_____

Note: Regulation S-T Rule 101(b)(7) only permits the submission in paper of a Form 6-K if submitted to furnish a report or other document that the registrant foreign private issuer must furnish and make public under the laws of the jurisdiction in which the registrant is incorporated, domiciled or legally organized (the registrant's "home country"), or under the rules of the home country exchange on which the registrant's securities are traded, as long as the report or other document is not a press release, is not required to be and has not been distributed to the registrant's security holders, and, if discussing a material event, has already been the subject of a Form 6-K submission or other Commission filing on EDGAR.

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant by furnishing the information contained in this Form is also thereby furnishing the information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2 (b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Yes [_] No [X]

If "Yes" is marked, indicate below the file number assigned to the

Edgar Filing: PRECISION DRILLING CORP - Form 6-K

registrant in connection with Rule 12g3-2(b): 82- N/A

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, thereunto duly authorized.

PRECISION DRILLING CORPORATION

Per: /s/ Jan M. Campbell

Jan M. Campbell Corporate Secretary

Date: May 21, 2004

NEWS RELEASE

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

PRECISION DRILLING CORPORATION SUBSIDIARY
ACQUIRES 99.7% OF REEVES OILFIELD SERVICES LIMITED

Calgary, Alberta, Canada, May 21, 2004 - Precision Drilling Corporation ("Precision") announces that its wholly owned subsidiary, Precision Holdings (UK) Limited, has acquired 99.7% of the issued and outstanding shares of UK based Reeves Oilfield Services Limited ("Reeves") pursuant to its previously announced offer to acquire all of the issued and outstanding shares of Reeves (the "Offer") for (pound) 92.4 million, ((pound) 88.4 million net of cash acquired, equivalent to Cdn. \$218 million). The Offer will remain open for acceptance until June 10, 2004. A 100% shareholding is sought, whether this be achieved through 100% eventual acceptances or use of the mandatory buy-out mechanism provided in the Companies Act 1985 (United Kingdom).

Reeves' premier offering consists of a highly reliable formation evaluation logging system that may be conveyed on wireline or using an array of conveyance alternatives such as drill pipe, tractors, or coil tubing. The Reeves system design enables high quality logging data to be recorded more efficiently than current competitors' offerings.

Precision Drilling Corporation (TSX: PD, and PDU; NYSE: PDS) is a global oilfield services company providing a broad range of drilling, production and evaluation services with focus on fulfilling customer needs through fit-for-purpose technologies for the maturing oilfields of the 21st century. With corporate offices in Calgary, Alberta, Canada and Houston, Texas, and research facilities in the U.S. and Europe, Precision employs more than 10,000 people conducting operations in more than 30 countries. Precision is

Edgar Filing: PRECISION DRILLING CORP - Form 6-K

committed to providing efficient and safe services to create value for our customers, our shareholders and our employees.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT HANK B. SWARTOUT, CHAIRMAN, PRESIDENT AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, OR DALE E. TREMBLAY, SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT FINANCE AND CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER, 4200, 150 - 6TH AVENUE S.W., CALGARY, ALBERTA T2P 3Y7, TELEPHONE (403) 716-4500; FAX (403) 264-0251; WEBSITE: WWW.PRECISIONDRILLING.COM