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Form 8-K  
August 16, 2002

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

August 16, 2002  
Date of Report  
(Date of earliest event reported)

NUEVO ENERGY COMPANY  
(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	0-10537 (Commission File Number)	76-0304436 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)
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1021 Main Street, Suite 2100  
Houston, Texas 77002  
(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

(713) 652-0706  
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable  
(Former name and former address,  
if changed since last report)

ITEM 5. OTHER EVENTS.

David H. Batchelder resigned from the Registrant's Board of Directors effective August 12, 2002. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1.

ITEM 7. EXHIBITS.

EXHIBIT NUMBER -----	TITLE OF DOCUMENT -----
99.1	Press release dated August 16, 2002 announcing the board resignation of David H. Batchelder.

SIGNATURES

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Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15 (d) 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.

NUEVO ENERGY COMPANY  
(Registrant)

Date: August 16, 2002

By: /s/ James L. Payne

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James L. Payne  
Chairman, President and  
Chief Executive Officer

Date: August 16, 2002

By: /s/ Janet F. Clark

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Janet F. Clark  
Senior Vice President and  
Chief Financial Officer