MORGAN CREEK ENERGY CORP Form 8-K January 12, 2009

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> > FORM 8-K

## CURRENT REPORT

PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

JANUARY 8, 2009

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

MORGAN CREEK ENERGY CORP.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

NEVADA

0-25455

201777817

(IRS Employer

Identification No.)

(State or other jurisdiction (Commission File Number) of incorporation)

> 5050 QUORUM DRIVE SUITE 700 DALLAS, TEXAS

75254

(Zip Code)

(Address of principal executive offices)

## (214) 321-0603

Registrant's telephone number, including area code

N/A

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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  Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

SECTION 5. CORPORATE GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

ITEM 5.02 DEPARTURE OF DIRECTORS OR PRINCIPAL OFFICERS; ELECTION OF DIRECTORS; APPOINTMENT OF PRINCIPAL OFFICERS

Effective on January 8, 2009, the Board of Directors (the "Board") of Morgan Creek Energy Corp., a Nevada corporation (the "Company") accepted the resignation of D. Bruce Horton dated January 8, 2009 as the Chief Financial Officer/Secretary/Treasurer of the Company. Mr. Horton remains as a member of the Board of Directors of the Company. Therefore, the Board of Directors remains comprised of Marcus Johnson, D. Bruce Horton, Erik Essiger, Peter Wilson and Angelo Viard.

Effective as of January 8, 2009, the Board of Directors accepted the consent of William Thomas dated January 8, 2009 as the Chief Financial Officer/Secretary/Treasurer of the Company. Mr. Thomas' biography is as follows:

WILLIAM THOMAS. Mr. Thomas has thirty years of experience in the finance and accounting areas for the natural resource sector. Currently, Mr. Thomas is also the chief financial officer and a member of the board of directors of Mainland Resources, Inc., a Nevada corporation that trades on the OTC Bulletin Board, and the chief financial officer and a director of Uranium International Corp., a Nevada corporation that trades on the OTC Bulletin Board, chief financial officer of Hana Mining and Mira Resources both of which are Canadian public companies. Mr. Thomas has held various successive management positions with Kerr McGee Corporation's China operations based in Beijing, China, ending in 2004 with his final position as director of business services. For a brief period after leaving Kerr McGee, Mr. Thomas acted as a self-practitioner in the accounting and finance field. In July 2007 he took on the role of chief financial officer for two public resource companies; Hana Mining Inc. and NWT Uranium Corp. Recently, Mr. Thomas resigned from NWT Uranium Corp. but continues to serve as chief financial officer for Hana Mining. Mr. Thomas was previously general manager (1999-2002), and finance and administration manager (1996-1999) of Kerr McGee's China operations. While in China, Mr. Thomas was responsible for finance including Sarbanes Oxley reporting, budgeting, treasury, procurement, taxation, marketing, insurance and business development, including commercial negotiations with the Chinese partner, China National Offshore Oil Co (CNOOC) and other Chinese and joint venture partners. Mr. Thomas focused heavily on supporting exploration and development operations for three operated blocks in Bohai Bay, as well as evaluation and negotiation of new venture blocks in East China Sea and the South China Sea. He was also responsible for the liaison with CNOOC and other Chinese oil companies, Kerr McGee US management and joint venture partners, where his main focus was to ensure cost effective and timely achievement of various approved work programs and budgets. He was also Chief Representative for Kerr McGee on the Joint Management Committee (JMC). Mr. Thomas previously worked as manager of fixed asset accounting for Kerr McGee Corporation's US operations (1996), as finance director of Kerr McGee's UK operations based in London/Aberdeen (1992-1996), and Kerr McGee's Canadian operations in Calgary, Alberta, Canada (1984-1992), including the predecessor company, Maxus Canada Ltd, which was acquired by Kerr McGee Ltd. Over the course of his career, he has been involved in all aspects of managing accounting, budgeting, human resources, administration, insurance, taxation and other business support aspects surrounding oil and gas properties for Kerr McGee. Mr. Thomas was responsible to ensure compliance with COPAS, SEC, FASB and international accounting regulations. He participated on a team that developed the Oracle accounting system application to the Kerr McGee's worldwide

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operations. He was most notably involved in the company's initial entry into both China and the UK North Sea - start ups of local and expatriate personnel that eventually developed into core areas (over \$1 Billion) for Kerr McGee, including the company's first operated offshore oil fields in China (CFD 1-1) and the UK (Gryphon). In his early career Mr. Thomas also held senior management positions in the finance divisions of Norcen Energy Ltd of Calgary, Alberta (1981-1984), Dennison Mines Ltd of Ontario Canada (1978-1981) and Algoma Steel Corporation of Sault Ste Marie, Ontario, Canada (1977). He was also a Senior Auditor for the accounting firm, Coopers & Lybrand in Toronto, Canada (1975-1977). Mr. Thomas attained his Chartered Accountant (CA) designation from the Canadian Institute of Chartered Accountants in 1977. He holds an Honors Bachelor of Commerce and Finance degree from the University of Toronto, Ontario, Canada.

SECTION 9 - FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

(A) FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF BUSINESS ACQUIRED.

Not applicable.

(B) PRO FORMA FINANCIAL INFORMATION.

Not applicable.

(C) SHELL COMPANY TRANSACTION.

Not applicable.

(D) EXHIBITS.

Not applicable.

## 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.

MORGAN CREEK ENERGY CORP.

DATE: JANUARY 9, 2009.

/s/ PETER WILSON

NAME: PETER WILSON TITLE: PRESIDENT/CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER