

EQUITY OIL CO  
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**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: **September 12, 2003**

**Equity Oil Company**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

**Colorado**  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

**0-610**  
(Commission  
File Number)

**87-0129795**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification #)

**10 West Broadway, Suite 806, Salt Lake City, Utah 84101**  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices, Zip Code)

**(801) 521-3515**  
(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

**Item 5. Other Events and Regulation FD Disclosure.**

Equity Oil Company (Nasdaq: EQTY) (the "Company") announced today that it has retained Petrie Parkman & Co. to assist the Company in evaluating strategic alternatives, including a potential merger or sale of the Company. There can be no assurance that a transaction will be entered into or completed as a result of this process. The press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

**Item 7. Exhibits**

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99.1

Press Release announcing the retention of Petrie Parkman & Co. dated September 12, 2003.

**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.

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EQUITY OIL COMPANY

By: /s/ PAUL M. DOUGAN

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Paul M. Dougan  
President and Chief Executive Officer

Dated: September 12, 2003

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