

PATTERSON UTI ENERGY INC

Form 8-K

November 01, 2006

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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 (Date of earliest event reported): November 1, 2006  
PATTERSON-UTI ENERGY, INC.  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)**

**Delaware**  
(State or Other Jurisdiction of  
Incorporation)

**0-22664**  
(Commission File Number)

**75-2504748**  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

**4510 Lamesa Highway**  
**Snyder, Texas**  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

**79549**  
(Zip Code)

**Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (325) 574-6300**  
(Former name or former address, if changed since last report): **Not Applicable**

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:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
  - Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
  - 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))
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**ITEM 2.02. RESULTS OF OPERATIONS AND FINANCIAL CONDITION.**

Patterson-UTI Energy, Inc. (the Company ) wishes to disclose its press release dated November 1, 2006, furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1, relating to the Company s financial results for the quarter ended September 30, 2006.

**ITEM 9.01. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.**

(d) The following exhibit is furnished herewith:

99.1 Press Release dated November 1, 2006, relating to the financial results of Patterson-UTI Energy, Inc. for the quarter ended September 30, 2006.

The information in this report is being furnished and shall not be deemed to be filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, shall not otherwise be subject to the liabilities of that section and shall not be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

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**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.

**Patterson-UTI Energy, Inc.**

By: /s/ John E. Vollmer III

John E. Vollmer III  
Chief Financial Officer

Dated: November 1, 2006

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