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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) December 29, 2005 IVANHOE ENERGY INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Yukon, Canada 000-30586 98-0372413

(State or Other Jurisdiction (Commission (I.R.S. Employer of Incorporation) File Number) Identification Number)

Suite 654 999 Canada Place Vancouver, BC, Canada

V6C 3E1

(Address of Principal Executive Office)

(Zip Code)

(604) 688-8323

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable

(Former Name or Former Address, If Changed Since Last Report)

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Section 3 Securities and Trading Markets

Item 3.02 Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities.

On December 29, 2005, the Company issued 11,196,330 Common Shares pursuant to the exercise of 11,196,330 Special Warrants acquired by four accredited investors pursuant to a private placement financing, completed in November of 2005, of 11,196,330 Special Warrants at a price of US\$1.63 per Special Warrant to such accredited investors for gross proceeds of US\$18,250,018.

Each Special Warrant entitled the holder to receive, at no extra cost, one Common Share and one Common Share Purchase Warrant. Each Common Share Purchase Warrant allows the holder to purchase one Common Share of the Company at an exercise price of US\$2.50 per share until the second anniversary date of the closing.

The Special Warrants, including the Common Shares and Common Share Purchase Warrants issuable on exercise thereof, were offered and sold outside the United States and in reliance on the exemption from registration provided by Regulation S under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

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.

IVANHOE ENERGY INC.

Date: December 30, 2005

By: /s/ Beverly Bartlett

Corporate Secretary