BAKER HUGHES INC

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CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the
Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported):
January 31, 2000

Baker Hughes Incorporated

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	1-9397 (Commission File Number)	76-0207995 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

3900 Essex Lane, Houston, Texas (Address of principal executive offices)	77027 (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (713) 439-8600

Item 5. Other Events.

On January 31, 2000, the Board of Directors of Baker Hughes Incorporated (the "Company") announced that it will begin a search for a chief executive officer to succeed Max L. Lukens, who has resigned his positions as Chairman of the Board, President and Chief Executive Officer and is leaving the Company. Joe B. Foster, a director of the Company since 1990, has been appointed interim Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer to lead the Company until a new Chief Executive is selected. Victor G. Beghini will chair the committee of the Board of Directors that will conduct the search. Other members of the search committee are directors Richard D. Kinder, H. John Riley, Jr. and Charles L. Watson.

Andrew J. Szescila, Senior Vice President of the Company, will assume responsibilities for Baker Hughes Oilfield Operations. In his position as President of Baker Hughes Oilfield Operations, he will report to Mr. Foster. Thomas R. Bates, Jr., who previously had responsibilities for the Western Geophysical, Baker Atlas and INTEQ divisions, has resigned.

SIGNATURE

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.

BAKER HUGHES INCORPORATED

Date: February 2, 2000

By: /s/ G. S. Finley

G. S. Finley
Senior Vice President - Finance and Administration and Chief Financial Officer

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