

# US ENERGY CORP

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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 27, 2017

**U.S. ENERGY CORP.**

(Exact Name of Company as Specified in its Charter)

**Wyoming**

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

**000-6814**

(Commission File No.)

**83-0205516**

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

**950 S. Cherry Street, Suite 1515, Denver, CO**

(Address of principal executive offices)

**80246**

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(303) 993-3200**

(Former Name, Former Address or Former Fiscal Year,  
If Changed From Last Report)

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 (see General Instruction A.2):

- 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))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2).

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

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### **Item 1.01. Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement**

As previously disclosed, effective October 3, 2017, U.S. Energy Corp. (the “Company”), the Company’s wholly owned subsidiary Energy One LLC and APEG Energy II, L.P., (“APEG”), an entity controlled by Angelus Capital, LLC entered into an exchange agreement (the “Exchange Agreement”), (previously reported in the Company’s Current Report on Form 8-K dated October 5, 2017 and incorporated by reference herein). The Company closed the exchange transaction with APEG on December 29, 2017.

### **Item 3.02 Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities.**

The information set forth under Item 1.01 of this report is incorporated by reference into this Item 3.02. The common stock to be issued pursuant to the Exchange Agreement has not been registered under the Securities Act, and the transactions set forth under Item 1.01 of this report have been or will be taken in reliance upon the exemption from the registration requirements of the Securities Act provided by Section 4(a)(2) thereof as transactions by an issuer not involving any public offering.

### **Item 3.03. Material Modification to Rights of Security Holders.**

#### *Standstill Agreement*

As previously disclosed, in connection with the Exchange Agreement, the Company also entered into a Standstill Agreement with APEG (the “Standstill Agreement”) which will be in effect for one year from the closing of the exchange transaction (previously reported in the Company’s Current Report on Form 8-K dated October 5, 2017 and incorporated by reference herein).

### **Item 5.07. Submission to Matter to a Vote of Security Holders.**

The Company held a Special Meeting of its stockholders on December 27, 2017, at its principal executive offices in Denver, Colorado, for the following purposes: (1) to approve the issuance of shares of common stock in connection with the exchange transaction under NASDAQ Stock Market Rules 5635(b); (2) to approve an amendment, at the discretion of the Board of Directors, to the Company’s articles of incorporation to implement a reverse stock split of the Company’s outstanding common stock; and (3) to approve an adjournment of the Special Meeting, if necessary or appropriate, to establish a quorum or to permit further solicitation of proxies if there are not sufficient votes at the time of the Special Meeting cast in favor of one or both of the previous proposals. Each of these items is more fully described in the Company’s definitive proxy statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on October 31, 2017.

At the close of business on November 1, 2017, the record date for the Special Meeting, there were 5,983,510 shares of the Company’s common stock issued, outstanding and entitled to vote at the Special Meeting.

#### Proposal 1 – Exchange Transaction Approval

The approval of the issuance of shares of common stock in connection with the exchange transaction under NASDAQ Stock Market Rules 5635(b), was approved with votes as follows:

<b>Shares For</b>	<b>Shares Against</b>	<b>Shares Abstained</b>
1,042,267	331,669	5,539

### Proposal 2 – Reverse Stock Split Approval

The approval of an amendment, at the discretion of the Board of Directors, to the Company’s articles of incorporation to implement a reverse stock split of the Company’s common stock at a reverse split ratio of 1-for-5, without reducing the authorized number of shares of our common stock (the “Reverse Stock Split”), was approved with votes as follows:

<b>Shares For</b>	<b>Shares Against</b>	<b>Shares Abstained</b>
3,117,277	1,169,141	10,250

Maintaining the Company’s listing on NASDAQ was the primary reason for the Company seeking shareholder approval of the Reverse Stock Split.

Because NASDAQ has determined to continue the listing of the Company’s securities, the Board of Directors has determined that it will not implement the Reverse Stock Split.

### Proposal 3 – Adjournment

The proposal to approve an adjournment of the Special Meeting, if necessary or appropriate, to establish a quorum or to permit further solicitation of proxies if there are not suffice votes at the time of the Special Meeting cast in favor of one or both of the previous proposals passed, with votes as follows:

<b>Shares For</b>	<b>Shares Against</b>	<b>Shares Abstained</b>
3,470,267	819,962	6,439

### **Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure.**

On December 29, 2017, the Company issued a press release announcing the results of the exchange transaction.

A copy of the Press Release is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1.

### **Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits. The following exhibits are included as part of this Current Report on Form 8-K:

<b>Exhibit No.</b>	<b>Description</b>
99.1	<a href="#">Press Release dated December 29, 2017</a>

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**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, the Company has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

**U.S. ENERGY CORP.**

Dated: December 29, 2017

By: */s/ David Veltri*

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David Veltri

Chief Executive Officer

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## U.S. Energy Corp. Completes Deleveraging Transaction

**DENVER, CO – December 29, 2017** — **U.S. Energy Corp. (NASDAQCM: USEG)** (“U.S. Energy” or the “Company”) today announced that it has closed its previously announced agreement to substantially reduce the Company’s outstanding debt through an exchange transaction (the “Transaction”) with APEG Energy II, L.P., the sole lender of its Senior Secured Credit Facility (“Credit Facility”). The Transaction was approved by the Company’s shareholders at a special meeting held December 27, 2017.

### **Highlights**

- U.S. Energy has exchanged \$4.5 million of the \$6.0 million of outstanding borrowings on its Credit Facility for 5,819,270 shares of common stock.
- U.S. Energy has made a cash paydown of its Credit Facility of \$0.6 million.
- \$0.9 million remains on the Credit Facility as U.S. Energy’s only remaining debt.
- Represents an 84% reduction in annual interest payments.
- Provides the Company flexibility to increase its capital budget out of operating cash flow and participate in production growth.
- Increases the Company’s financing and strategic abilities by removing a substantial portion of existing secured debt.
- Aligns the Company’s sole secured lender and strategic partner with existing Company shareholders.

Additionally, U.S. Energy received shareholder approval to implement, at the discretion of the Board of Directors, a reverse split of the Company’s outstanding Common Stock. As previously announced, the Company has regained full compliance with Nasdaq listing standards and as such, the Company’s Board of Directors have elected not to implement a reverse split of the Company’s stock at this time.

### **Management Comment**

David Veltri, Chairman and CEO of U.S. Energy, stated, “The closing of the Transaction represents a significant milestone for U.S. Energy. The Transaction reduces the Company’s outstanding debt by 84% while saving the Company more than \$0.4 million in annual cash interest payments. We believe the Transaction has already begun unlocking shareholder value in the Company while restoring access to outside capital and allowing the Company to resume participating in growth initiatives. U.S. Energy will enter 2018 with low leverage and a strong liquidity profile which will enable the Company to grow our asset base both through the drill bit and acquisitions. We look forward to working with our strategic partner APEG Energy II in the upcoming year to create value for all shareholders.”

### **About U.S. Energy Corp.**

We are an independent energy company focused on the lease acquisition and development of oil and gas producing properties in the continental United States. Our business is currently focused in the Williston Basin of North Dakota and South Texas. We continue to focus on increasing production, reserves, and cash flow from operations while pro-actively managing our debt levels. More information about U.S. Energy Corp. can be found at [www.usnrg.com](http://www.usnrg.com).

### **Forward-Looking Statements**

This press release may include “forward-looking statements” within the meaning of the securities laws. All statements other than statements of historical facts included herein may constitute forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements in this document may include statements regarding the Company’s expectations regarding the Company’s operational, exploration and development plans; expectations regarding the nature and amount of the Company’s reserves; and expectations regarding production, revenues, cash flows and recoveries. When used in this press release, the words “will,” “potential,” “believe,” “estimate,” “intend,” “expect,” “may,” “should,” “anticipate,” “could,” “plan,” “predict,” “project,” “profile,” “model,” or their negatives, other similar expressions or the statements that include those words, are intended to identify forward-looking statements, although not all forward-looking statements contain such identifying words. Such statements are subject to a number of assumptions, risks and uncertainties, many of which are beyond the control of the Company, which may cause actual results to differ materially from those implied or expressed by the forward-looking statements. Factors that could cause or contribute to such differences include, but are not limited to, fluctuations in oil and natural gas prices, uncertainties inherent in estimating quantities of oil and natural gas reserves and projecting future rates of production and timing of development activities, competition, operating risks, acquisition risks, liquidity and capital requirements, the effects of governmental regulation, adverse changes in the market for the Company’s oil and natural gas production, dependence upon third-party vendors, and other risks detailed in the Company’s periodic report filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

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