ENERGY PARTNERS LTD Form 8-K May 12, 2009

# 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): May 8, 2009

# **ENERGY PARTNERS, LTD.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware** (State or other jurisdiction of

001-16179 (Commission File Number) 72-1409562 (I.R.S. Employer

Identification No.)

incorporation or organization)

201 St. Charles Avenue, Suite 3400

New Orleans, Louisiana 70170

(Address of principal executive offices)(Zip Code)

(504) 569-1875

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

#### Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

#### Item 8.01 Other Events.

On May 1, 2009, Energy Partners, Ltd. (the <u>Company</u>) and certain of its domestic subsidiaries (collectively, the <u>Debtors</u>) requested authority from the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Texas, Houston Division (the <u>Bankruptcy Court</u>) to allow the Debtors to continue paying, in the ordinary course of the Debtors business, certain types of undisputed pre-petition arrearages owed by the Debtors. On May 8, 2009, the Bankruptcy Court granted the Debtors requested relief in full, thereby providing authorization for the Debtors to continue paying, in the ordinary course of business, various undisputed amounts owed to or for royalty interest owners, joint interest billings and certain other obligations owing under oil and gas leases, claims that relate to statutory lien rights, and obligations tied to the Minerals Management Service.

#### **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.

Dated: May 11, 2009

ENERGY PARTNERS, LTD.

By: /s/ John H. Peper John H. Peper

Executive Vice President, General

Counsel and Corporate Secretary