

Citadel Exploration, Inc.  
Form NT 10-Q  
May 15, 2018  
**UNITED STATES**

**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

**Washington, D.C. 20549**

**FORM 12b-25**

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**NOTIFICATION OF LATE FILING**

(Check One): Form 10-K   Form 20-F   Form 11-K   Form 10-Q   Form N-SAR   Form N-CSR

For Period Ended: March 31, 2018

Transition Report on Form 10-K

Transition Report on Form 20-F

Transition Report on Form 11-K

Transition Report on Form 10-Q

Transition Report on Form N-SAR

For the Transition Period Ended: N/A

Nothing in this Form shall be construed to imply that the Commission has verified any information contained herein.

If the notification relates to a portion of the filing checked above, identify the Item(s) to which the notification relates:  
N/A

**Part I - Registrant Information**

Citadel Exploration, Inc.

Full Name of Registrant

Former Name if Applicable

417 31<sup>st</sup> Street, Unit A

Address of Principal Executive Office (*Street & Number*)

Newport Beach, CA 92663

City, State and Zip Code

**Part II - Rules 12b-25(b) and (c)**

If the subject report could not be filed without unreasonable effort or expense and the registrant seeks relief pursuant to Rule 12b-25(b), the following should be completed. (Check box if appropriate)

(a) The reason described in reasonable detail in Part III of this form could not be eliminated without unreasonable effort or expense;

(b) The subject annual report, semi-annual report, transition report on Form 10-K, Form 20-F, Form 11-K, Form N-SAR or Form N-CSR, or portion thereof, will be filed on or before the fifteenth calendar day following the prescribed due date; or the subject quarterly report or transition report or transition report on Form 10-Q or subject distribution report on Form 10-D, or portion thereof, will be filed on or before the fifth calendar day following the prescribed due date; and

(c) The accountant's statement or other exhibit required by Rule 12b-25(c) has been attached if applicable.

**Part III - Narrative**

The Registrant is unable to file its first quarter report on Form 10-Q within the prescribed time period due to a change in auditors.

**Part IV - Other Information**

(1) Name and telephone number of person to contact in regard to this notification:

Philip McPherson (949) 612-8040  
(Name) (Area Code) (Telephone Number)

(2) Have all other periodic reports required under Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such report(s) been filed?  
Yes No

If answer is no, identify report(s).

(3) Is it anticipated that any significant change in results of operations from the corresponding period for the last fiscal year will be reflected by the earning statements to be included in the subject report or portion thereof?    Yes  
No

If so: attach an explanation of the anticipated change, both narratively and quantitatively, and, if applicable, state the reasons why a reasonable estimate of the result cannot be made.

Citadel Exploration, Inc.

(Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

has caused this notification to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

Date: May 15, 2018 By: /s/ Philip McPherson  
Philip McPherson, CFO

ATTENTION

INTENTIONAL MISSTATEMENTS OR OMISSIONS OF FACT CONSTITUTE FEDERAL CRIMINAL VIOLATIONS (See 18 U.S.C.1001).