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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(D) OF THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of report: (date of earliest event reported)
April 10, 2008 (April 5, 2008)

Blue Dolphin Energy Company (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 0-15905 73-1268729 (State or other jurisdiction of (Commission file number) (I.R.S. Employer Incorporation or organization) Identification No.)

801 Travis Street, Suite 2100, Houston, Texas 77002 (Address of principal executive offices)

(713) 227-7660 (Issuer's telephone number)

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ITEM 5.02 DEPARTURE OF DIRECTORS OR CERTAIN OFFICERS; ELECTION OF DIRECTORS; APPOINTMENT OF CERTAIN OFFICERS; COMPENSATORY ARRANGEMENTS OF CERTAIN OFFICERS.

On April 5, 2008, the Board of Directors of Blue Dolphin Energy Company (the "Company" or "Blue Dolphin") appointed Michael J. Jacobson, currently Blue Dolphin's President, to the additional positions of Treasurer and Secretary, and elected T. Scott Howard to the positions of Assistant Treasurer and Assistant Secretary. In his position as Assistant Treasurer, Mr. Howard will serve as Blue Dolphin's principal financial and accounting officer. Mr. Howard's arrangement with Blue Dolphin provides for an annual base salary of \$110,000.

Mr. Howard, 36, has served as Accounting Manager of the Company since 2006. From 1996 to 2006 he held a variety of management level accounting positions: Audit Manager with DRDA, P.C., an independent public accounting firm in Houston, Texas from 2002 to 2006, Trust Officer with Frost National Bank in Houston, Texas from 2000 to 2002 and Controller for Hall's Insurance Agency, Inc. in Dickinson, Texas from 1996 to 2000. He began his career in 1994 as a Staff Accountant for Griffin, Iles, Masel & Duval, LLP, a public accounting firm, until 1996. Mr. Howard, who is a Certified Public Accountant in Texas, received his Bachelor of Business Administration in Accounting from St. Edward's University.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

Date: April 10, 2008

BLUE DOLPHIN ENERGY COMPANY

/s/ MICHAEL J JACOBSON MICHAEL J JACOBSON PRESIDENT