GOODRICH PETROLEUM CORP

Form NT 10-K March 30, 2004

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 20549

FORM 12b-25

Commission File Number 1-7940

NOTIFICATION OF LATE FILING

(Check One): [X] Form 10-K [_] Form 11-K [_] Form 20-F [_] Form 10-Q [_] Form N-SAR
For Period Ended: December 31, 2003
[_] 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:
Read attached instruction sheet before preparing form. Please print or type.
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:
PART I REGISTRANT INFORMATION
Full name of registrant Goodrich Petroleum Corporation
Former name if applicable N/A
N/ A
Address of principal executive office 808 Travis Street, Suite 1320
(Street and number)

Houston, TX 77002

(City, state and zip code)

PART II RULE 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 reasons 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, 20-F, 11-K or Form N-SAR, or portion thereof will
- [X] be filed on or before the 15th calendar day following the prescribed due date; or the subject quarterly report or transition report on Form 10-Q, 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

State below in reasonable detail why the Form 10-K, 11-K, 20-F 10-Q, N-SAR or the transition report portion thereof could not be filed within the prescribed time period. (Attach extra sheets if needed.)

The Registrant is unable to file the subject report in a timely manner because the Registrant was not able to timely complete its financial statements without unreasonable effort or expense.

PART IV OTHER INFORMATION

- (1) Name and telephone number of person to contact in regard to this notification $\ensuremath{\mathsf{N}}$
 - D. Hughes Watler, Jr. Senior Vice President & CFO (713) 780-9494

(Name) (Title) (Telephone Number)

(2) Have all other periodic reports required under Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30 of the Investment Company Act of 1940 during the preceding 12 months or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such report(s) been filed? If the answer is no, identify report(s).

[X] Yes [_] No

(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 earnings statements to be included in the subject report or portion

thereof?

[X] Yes [_] No

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

In the course of preparing its year end financial statements, the Company discovered a systematic error in the calculations of a portion of its non-cash depreciation, depletion and amortization ("DD&A") expense. The Company plans to file a restatement of its DD&A expense for the fiscal years ended December 31, 2001 and 2002 as well as the first three quarters of 2003, which will be incorporated in its 2003 Form 10-K annual report.

This calculation error has no effect on or change in the Company's current or previously reported oil and gas reserves. DD&A is a non-cash expense on the Company's income statement, and the restatement and increase in DD&A expense will have no effect on the Company's working capital, cash flow from operations or operating activities.

Goodrich Petroleum Corporation

(Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

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

Date March 30, 2004

By /s/ D. Hughes Watler, Jr.

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D. Hughes Watler, Jr.
Senior Vice President & CFO

INSTRUCTION: The form may be signed by an executive officer of the registrant or by any other duly authorized representative. The name and title of the person signing the form shall be typed or printed beneath the signature. If the statement is signed on behalf of the registrant by an authorized representative (other than an executive officer), evidence of the representative's authority to sign on behalf of the registrant shall be filed with the form.

ATTENTION

Intentional misstatements or omissions of fact constitute Federal Criminal Violations (see $18\ U.S.C.\ 1001$).

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. This form is required by Rule 12b-25 of the General Rules and Regulations under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.
- 2. One signed original and four conformed copies of this form and amendments thereto must be completed and filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, Washington, DC 20549, in accordance with Rule 0-3 of the General Rules and Regulations under the Act. The information contained in or filed with the form will be made a matter of public record in the Commission files.
 - 3. A manually signed copy of the form and amendments thereto shall be filed

with each national securities exchange on which any class of securities of the registrant is registered.

- 4. Amendments to the notifications must also be filed on Form 12b-25 but need not restate information that has been correctly furnished. The form shall be clearly identified as an amended notification.
- 5. Electronic Filers. This form shall not be used by electronic filers unable to timely file a report solely due to electronic difficulties. Filers unable to submit a report within the time period prescribed due to difficulties in electronic filing should comply with either Rule 201 or Rule 202 of Regulation S-T or apply for an adjustment in filing date pursuant to Rule 13(b) of Regulation S-T.