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UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM S-8

REGISTRATION STATEMENT

UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

HALCÓN RESOURCES CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State of Incorporation)

 ${\bf 20\text{-}0700684} \\ \textbf{(IRS Employer Identification No.)}$

1000 Louisiana St., Suite 6700

Houston, Texas (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

77002

(Zip Code)

Halcón Resources Corporation 2012 Long-Term Incentive Plan

(Full Title of the Plan)

Copy to:

Mark J. Mize

Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer

William T. Heller IV

and Treasurer

Thompson & Knight LLP

1000 Louisiana St., Suite 6700

333 Clay Street, Suite 3300

Houston, Texas 77002

(832) 538-0300 Houston, Texas 77002

(Name, Address and Telephone Number, Including

(713) 654-8111

Area Code, of Agent for Service)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of large accelerated filer, accelerated filer, and smaller reporting company in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):

Large accelerated filer " Accelerated filer x Non-accelerated filer " (Do not check if a smaller reporting company) Smaller reporting company " CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

Title of securities	Amount		Proposed maximum	Amount
to be	to be	Proposed maximum offering price	aggregate	of
registered Common Stock, \$.0001 par value per share	registered (1)(2) 7,800,000 shares	per share (3) \$7.92	offering price (3) \$61,776,000	registration fee \$7,080

- (1) Registrant is registering an additional 7,800,000 shares under the Halcón Resources Corporation 2012 Long-Term Incentive Plan pursuant to this Registration Statement.
- (2) Pursuant to Rule 416 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the Securities Act), this Registration Statement shall also include such additional indeterminate number of shares of common stock as may become issuable under the plan as a result of stock splits, stock dividends or similar transactions.
- (3) Estimated solely for the purpose of determining the registration fee pursuant to Rule 457(c) and (h)(1) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, on the basis of the average of the high and low prices of the common stock of Registrant reported on the New York Stock Exchange for August 22, 2012.

INTRODUCTION

Halcón Resources Corporation (Halcón, we, us or our) is filing this Registration Statement with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the Commission) for the purpose of registering 7,800,000 additional shares of our common stock, par value \$.0001 per share, for issuance under the Halcón Resources Corporation 2012 Long-Term Incentive Plan (the 2012 Plan), formerly known as the RAM Energy Resources, Inc. 2006 Long-Term Incentive Plan. Pursuant to General Instruction E to Form S-8, the contents of Halcón s earlier Registration Statements relating to the 2012 Plan, including Registration Statement No. 333-180099 filed with the Commission on March 14, 2012, Registration Statement No. 333-166893 filed with the Commission on May 17, 2010, Registration Statement No. 333-151428 filed with the Commission on June 5, 2008, Registration Statement No. 333-137311 filed with the Commission on September 14, 2006 and Registration Statement No. 333-135853 filed with the Commission on July 19, 2006, are hereby incorporated by reference, except as revised in Part II of this Registration Statement.

PART I

INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE SECTION 10(a) PROSPECTUS

The documents containing the information specified in Part I of Form S-8 will be sent or given to employees as specified by Rule 428(b)(1) of the Securities Act.

PART II

INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THIS REGISTRATION STATEMENT

Item 3. Incorporation of Documents by Reference.

The Commission allows us to incorporate by reference into this Registration Statement the information we file with it, which means that we can disclose important information to you by referring you to those documents. Information filed with the Commission after the date of this Registration Statement will update and supersede this information. We incorporate by reference the documents listed below and future filings made with the Commission under Section 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act) (excluding any information furnished pursuant to Item 2.02 or Item 7.01 on any current report on Form 8-K) until all of our common stock covered by this Registration Statement is issued or a post-effective amendment to this Registration Statement is filed that deregisters all of such common stock then remaining unsold.

The following documents filed with the Commission are hereby incorporated by reference:

our annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2011 (File No. 000-50682);

our quarterly reports on Form 10-Q for the quarterly periods ended March 31, 2012 and June 30, 2012 (File No. 001-35467);

our current reports on Form 8-K, filed with the Commission on January 5, 2012, January 18, 2012, February 9, 2012, March 1, 2012, March 5, 2012, March 8, 2012, March 13, 2012, March 19, 2012 (each File No. 000-50682), April 4, 2012, April 23, 2012, April 25, 2012, May 2, 2012, May 8, 2012, May 11, 2012, May 22, 2012, May 30, 2012, June 5, 2012, June 6, 2012, June 13, 2012, June 25, 2012, June 28, 2012, June 29, 2012, July 2, 2012, July 17, 2012, July 18, 2012, August 2, 2012 and August 7, 2012 (each File No. 001-35467) and on Form 8-K/A filed February 14, 2012 (File No. 000-50682) and Form 8-K/A filed May 30, 2012 and Forms 8-K/A filed August 24, 2012 (each File No. 001-35467); and

the description of our common stock set forth in our registration statements filed pursuant to Section 12 of the Exchange Act, including any amendment or report filed for the purpose of updating such description.

The audited financial statements for GeoResources, Inc. (GeoResources) and its subsidiaries and for SBE Partners, LP for the year ended December 31, 2011 are respectively incorporated herein by reference to pages F-1 to F-41 of and to Exhibit 99.1 to GeoResources Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2011 (File No. 000-08041). The unaudited financial statements for GeoResources

and its subsidiaries for the quarterly period ended March 31, 2012 are incorporated herein by reference to pages 3 to 23 of GeoResources Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the period ended March 31, 2012 (File No. 000-

08041). The unaudited financial statements for GeoResources and its subsidiaries for the quarterly period ended June 30, 2012 are incorporated herein by reference to pages 4 to 24 of GeoResources Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the period ended June 30, 2012 (File No. 000-08041).

You may request a copy of these filings (other than an exhibit to a filing unless that exhibit is specifically incorporated by reference into that filing), at no cost, by writing to us at the following address or calling the following number:

Halcón Resources Corporation

1000 Louisiana St., Suite 6700

Houston, Texas 77002

(832) 538-0300

Attention: Vice President Investor Relations

Item 4. Description of Securities.

Not Applicable.

Item 5. Interests of Named Experts and Counsel.

Not Applicable.

Item 6. Indemnification of Directors and Officers.

Article Seventh of our certificate of incorporation, as amended, and Article VII of our bylaws, as amended, provides for indemnification of officers and directors of Halcón, as well as its employees if desired, to the extent authorized by the Delaware General Corporation Law (the DGCL). Pursuant to Section 145 of the DGCL, we generally have the power to indemnify our current and former directors, officers, employees and agents against expenses and liabilities that they incur in connection with any suit to which they are, or are threatened to be made, a party by reason of their serving in such positions so long as they acted in good faith and in a manner they reasonably believed to be in, or not opposed to, our best interests, and with respect to any criminal action, they had no reasonable cause to believe their conduct was unlawful. The statute expressly provides that the power to indemnify or advance expenses authorized thereby is not exclusive of any rights granted under any charter provision, bylaw, agreement, vote of stockholders or disinterested directors, or otherwise, both as to actions in such person s official capacity and as to action in another capacity while holding such office. We also have the power to purchase and maintain insurance for such directors and officers.

We have also entered into individual indemnification agreements with our directors and executive officers. These agreements indemnify those directors and officers to the fullest extent permitted by law against inordinate risks of claims and actions against them arising out of their service to and activities on behalf of Halcón.

Item 7. Exemption from Registration Claimed.

Not Applicable.

Item 8. Exhibits.

Reference is made to the Exhibit Index for a detailed list of exhibits filed as a part hereof.

Item 9. Undertakings.

- (a) The undersigned registrant hereby undertakes:
- (1) To file, during any period in which offers or sales are being made, a post-effective amendment to this registration statement:
- (i) To include any prospectus required by Section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act of 1933;
- (ii) To reflect in the prospectus any facts or events arising after the effective date of this registration statement (or the most recent post-effective amendment thereof) which, individually or in the aggregate, represent a fundamental change in the information set forth in this registration statement;

(iii) To include any material information with respect to the plan of distribution not previously disclosed in this registration statement or any material change to such information in this registration statement;

provided, however, that the undertakings set forth in paragraphs (a)(1)(i) and (a)(1)(ii) above do not apply if the registration statement is on Form S-8 and the information required to be included in a post-effective amendment by those paragraphs is contained in periodic reports filed with or furnished to the Commission by registrant pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 that are incorporated by reference in this registration statement.

- (2) That, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each such post-effective amendment shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial *bona fide* offering thereof.
- (3) To remove from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the securities being registered which remain unsold at the termination of the offering.
- (b) The undersigned registrant hereby undertakes that, for purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each filing of registrant s annual report pursuant to Section 13(a) or Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (and, where applicable, each filing of an employee benefit plan s annual report pursuant to Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934) that is incorporated by reference in this registration statement shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial *bona fide* offering thereof.
- (c) Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act of 1933 may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of registrant pursuant to the provisions described under Item 6 above, or otherwise, registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the Commission such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act of 1933 and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer, or controlling person of registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, registrant will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question of whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act of 1933 and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-8 and has duly caused this Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Houston, State of Texas, on August 24, 2012.

HALCÓN RESOURCES CORPORATION

By: /s/ Floyd C. Wilson Floyd C. Wilson

Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer

POWER OF ATTORNEY

Each person whose signature appears below hereby constitutes and appoints Floyd C. Wilson and Mark J. Mize, and each of them, his true and lawful attorneys-in-fact and agents with full power of substitution, for him and in his name, place and stead, in any and all capacities, to sign any and all amendments (including post-effective amendments) to this Registration Statement on Form S-8, and to file the same with all exhibits thereto and all documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission, granting unto said attorneys-in-fact and agents, and each of them, full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing requisite and necessary to be done in and about the premises, as fully to all intents and purposes as he might or could do in person, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorneys-in-fact and agents or any of them, or his, her or their substitute or substitutes, may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this Registration Statement on Form S-8 has been signed by the following persons in the capacities indicated below on August 24, 2012.

Signature	Title		
/s/ Floyd C. Wilson	Chairman of the Board, Director and Chief Executive Officer		
Floyd C. Wilson	(Principal Executive Officer)		
/s/ Mark J. Mize	Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer		
Mark J. Mize	(Principal Financial Officer)		
/s/ Joseph S. Rinando, III	Vice President and Chief Accounting Officer (Principal Accounting Officer)		
Joseph S. Rinando, III			
/s/ James L. Irish III	Director		
James L. Irish III			
/s/ David B. Miller	Director		
David B. Miller			
/s/ Mark A. Welsh IV	Director		
Mark A. Welsh IV			
/s/ Daniel A. Rioux	Director		

Daniel A. Rioux

Signature		Title
/s/ Thomas R. Fuller	Director	
Thomas R. Fuller		
/s/ Stephen P. Smiley	Director	
Stephen P. Smiley		
/s/ James W. Christmas	Director	
James W. Christmas		
/s/ Michael A. Vlasic	Director	
Michael A. Vlasic		

INDEX TO EXHIBITS

Exhibit

No.	Description
5.1*	Opinion of Thompson & Knight LLP
10.1	Halcón Resources Corporation 2012 Long-Term Incentive Plan (filed as Exhibit 10.1 to registrant s Current Report on Form 8-K filed May 22, 2012, incorporated herein by reference)
23.1*	Consent of UHY LLP, Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm
23.2*	Consent of Grant Thornton LLP, Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm
23.3*	Consent of Forrest A. Garb & Associates, Inc.
23.4*	Consent of Cawley, Gillespie & Associates, Inc.
23.5*	Consent of Thompson & Knight LLP (included in its opinion attached as Exhibit 5.1 hereto)
24.1*	Power of Attorney (included in Part II as a part of the signature page of the Registration Statement)

^{*} Filed herewith.