

PLAINS RESOURCES INC  
Form 8-K  
February 20, 2004  
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**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): February 19, 2004

**PLAINS RESOURCES INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

Delaware  
(State of Incorporation)

13-2898764  
(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

0-9808

(Commission File No.)

700 Milam, Suite 3100

Houston, Texas  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

77002  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (832) 239-6000



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**Item 5. Other Events**

On February 19, 2004, Plains Resources Inc. ( PLX ) issued a press release that it has entered into an Agreement and Plan of Merger with Vulcan Energy Corporation, a Delaware corporation ( Vulcan ), and its wholly-owned subsidiary, Prime Time Acquisition Corporation, a Delaware corporation, whereby Vulcan will acquire all of PLX s outstanding shares for a price of \$16.75 per share, payable in cash.

**Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits**

99.1 Press Release dated February 19, 2004.

**Item 9. Regulation FD Disclosure.**

In accordance with General Instruction B.2. of Form 8-K, the information presented in Exhibit 99.1 shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, except as expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

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**SIGNATURES**

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

Date: February 19, 2004

**PLAINSRESOURCES INC.**

/s/ John F. Wombwell

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John F. Wombwell

Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary