

ANADARKO PETROLEUM CORP

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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 Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): April 11, 2019

Chevron Corporation

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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| Delaware | 001-00368 | 94-0890210 |
| (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) | (Commission File Number) | (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.) |

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| 6001 Bollinger Canyon Road, San Ramon, CA | 94583 |
| (Address of Principal Executive Offices) | (Zip Code) |

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (925) 842-1000

N/A

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligations of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

Merger Agreement

On April 11, 2019, Chevron Corporation (“Chevron”) entered into an Agreement and Plan of Merger (the “Merger Agreement”) with Anadarko Petroleum Corporation (“Anadarko”), Justify Merger Sub 1 Inc., a direct, wholly-owned subsidiary of Chevron (“Merger Subsidiary 1”), and Justify Merger Sub 2 Inc., a direct, wholly-owned subsidiary of Chevron (“Merger Subsidiary 2”).

The Merger Agreement provides that, among other things and subject to the terms and conditions of the Merger Agreement, (1) Merger Subsidiary 1 will be merged with and into Anadarko (the “Merger”), with Anadarko surviving and continuing as the surviving corporation in the Merger as a direct, wholly-owned subsidiary of Chevron and (2) immediately after the effective time of the Merger (the “Effective Time”), Anadarko will be merged with and into Merger Subsidiary 2 (together with the Merger, the “Combination”), with Merger Subsidiary 2 surviving as a direct, wholly-owned subsidiary of Chevron.

At the Effective Time, each outstanding share of common stock of Anadarko (subject to limited exceptions, including shares with respect to which dissenters’ rights have been validly exercised in accordance with Delaware law) will be converted into the right to receive \$16.25 in cash (without interest) and 0.3869 of a share of common stock of Chevron, plus cash in lieu of any fractional Chevron shares that otherwise would have been issued (the “Merger Consideration”).

Pursuant to the Merger Agreement, at the Effective Time, Anadarko employee stock options, restricted stock units and restricted stock will convert into Chevron equity awards of the same category based on the value of the Merger Consideration at closing, Anadarko performance units will vest at closing and convert into the right to receive the amount provided in the resolutions of the Compensation and Benefits Committee of the board of directors of Anadarko adopted as of April 11, 2019, and each Anadarko director deferred share will convert into the right to receive the Merger Consideration.

The board of directors of Anadarko has unanimously approved the Merger Agreement and resolved to recommend the adoption of the Merger Agreement by Anadarko stockholders, who will be asked to vote on the adoption of the Merger Agreement at a special stockholders meeting.

The completion of the Combination is subject to satisfaction or waiver of certain customary mutual closing conditions, including (1) the receipt of the required approval from Anadarko stockholders, (2) the expiration or termination of the waiting period under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Act, as amended (the “HSR Act”), applicable to the Merger, (3) the absence of any order or law prohibiting consummation of the Combination, (4) the effectiveness of the Registration Statement on Form S-4 to be filed by Chevron pursuant to which the shares of Chevron common stock to be issued in connection with the Merger will be registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the “SEC”) and (5) the authorization for listing on the New York Stock Exchange of the shares of Chevron common stock to be issued in connection with the Merger. The obligation of each party to consummate the Merger is also conditioned upon the other party’s representations and warranties being true and correct (subject to certain materiality exceptions) and the other party having performed in all material respects its obligations under the Merger Agreement.

The Merger Agreement contains customary representations and warranties of Chevron and Anadarko relating to their respective businesses, financial statements and public filings, in each case generally subject to customary materiality qualifiers. Additionally, the Merger Agreement provides for customary pre-closing covenants of Chevron and Anadarko, including a covenant of Anadarko relating to conducting its business in the ordinary course, and covenants of each party to refrain from taking certain actions without the other party’s consent. Chevron and Anadarko also agreed to use their respective best efforts to cause the Merger to be consummated and to obtain expiration or termination of the waiting period under the HSR Act, subject to certain exceptions, including that Chevron is not

required to take or authorize any action that would reasonably be expected to have a material adverse effect (after giving effect to any reasonably expected proceeds of any divestiture or sale of assets) on the financial condition, business, assets or continuing results of operations of Anadarko (or, in the case of actions with respect to Chevron's pre-closing assets, on a company of Anadarko's size).

The Merger Agreement provides that, during the period from the date of the Merger Agreement until the Effective Time, Anadarko is subject to certain restrictions on its ability to solicit alternative acquisition proposals from third parties and to provide non-public information to third parties and to engage in negotiations with third parties regarding alternative acquisition proposals, subject to customary exceptions. Subject to certain exceptions, Anadarko is required to call a meeting of its stockholders to vote on a proposal to adopt the Merger Agreement and to recommend that its stockholders adopt the Merger Agreement.

The Merger Agreement contains termination rights for each of Chevron and Anadarko, including, among others, (1) if the consummation of the Merger does not occur on or before January 11, 2020, subject to extension to April 11, 2020 for the sole purpose of obtaining U.S. antitrust clearance and (2) subject to certain conditions, if Anadarko wishes to terminate the Merger Agreement to enter into a definitive agreement with respect to a Superior Proposal (as such term is defined in the Merger Agreement). Upon termination of the Merger Agreement under specified circumstances, including the termination by Chevron in the event of a change of recommendation by the board of directors of Anadarko or by Anadarko to enter into a definitive agreement with respect to a Superior Proposal, Anadarko would be required to pay Chevron a termination fee of \$1,000,000,000.

The foregoing description of the Merger Agreement does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the Merger Agreement, which is attached hereto as Exhibit 2.1 and is incorporated by reference herein.

The Merger Agreement has been included to provide security holders with information regarding its terms. It is not intended to provide any other factual information about Chevron or Anadarko. The representations, warranties and covenants contained in the Merger Agreement were made solely for purposes of the Merger Agreement and as of specific dates, were solely for the benefit of the parties to the Merger Agreement, may be subject to limitations agreed upon by the contracting parties, including being qualified by confidential disclosures made for the purposes of allocating contractual risk between the parties to the Merger Agreement instead of establishing these matters as facts, and may be subject to standards of materiality applicable to the contracting parties that differ from those applicable to security holders. Security holders are not third-party beneficiaries under the Merger Agreement and should not rely on the representations, warranties and covenants or any descriptions thereof as characterizations of the actual state of facts or condition of Chevron or Anadarko. Moreover, information concerning the subject matter of the representations and warranties may change after the date of the Merger Agreement, which subsequent information may or may not be fully reflected in Chevron's or Anadarko's public disclosures.

Cautionary Statement Regarding Forward-Looking Statements

This communication contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. These forward-looking statements generally include statements regarding the potential transaction between Chevron Corporation (“Chevron”) and Anadarko Petroleum Corporation (“Anadarko”), including any statements regarding the expected timetable for completing the potential transaction, the ability to complete the potential transaction, the expected benefits of the potential transaction (including anticipated annual operating cost and capital synergies and anticipated free cash flow accretion), the increase of Chevron’s share repurchase annual target, projected financial information, future opportunities, and any other statements regarding Chevron’s and Anadarko’s future expectations, beliefs, plans, objectives, results of operations, financial condition and cash flows, or future events or performance. These statements are often, but not always, made through the use of words or phrases such as “anticipates,” “expects,” “intends,” “plans,” “targets,” “forecasts,” “projects,” “believes,” “seeks,” “so,” “estimates,” “positions,” “pursues,” “may,” “could,” “should,” “will,” “budgets,” “outlook,” “trends,” “guidance,” “focus,” “on track,” “is slated,” “goals,” “objectives,” “strategies,” “opportunities,” “poised” and similar expressions. All such forward-looking statements are based on current expectations of Chevron’s and Anadarko’s management and therefore involve estimates and assumptions that are subject to risks, uncertainties and other factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from the results expressed in the statements. Key factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those projected in the forward-looking statements include the ability to obtain the requisite Anadarko stockholder approval; uncertainties as to the timing to consummate the potential transaction; the risk that a condition to closing the potential transaction may not be satisfied; the risk that regulatory approvals are not obtained or are obtained subject to conditions that are not anticipated by the parties; the effects of disruption to Chevron’s or Anadarko’s respective businesses; the effect of this communication on Chevron’s or Anadarko’s stock prices; the effects of industry, market, economic, political or regulatory conditions outside of Chevron’s or Anadarko’s control; transaction costs; Chevron’s ability to achieve the benefits from the proposed transaction, including the anticipated annual operating cost and capital synergies; Chevron’s ability to promptly, efficiently and effectively integrate acquired operations into its own operations; unknown liabilities; and the diversion of management time on transaction-related issues. Other important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those in the forward-looking statements are: changing crude oil and natural gas prices; changing refining, marketing and chemicals margins; Chevron’s ability to realize anticipated cost savings and expenditure reductions; actions of competitors or regulators; timing of exploration expenses; timing of crude oil liftings; the competitiveness of alternate-energy sources or product substitutes; technological developments; the results of operations and financial condition of Chevron’s suppliers, vendors, partners and equity affiliates, particularly during extended periods of low prices for crude oil and natural gas; the inability or failure of Chevron’s joint-venture partners to fund their share of operations and development activities; the potential failure to achieve expected net production from existing and future crude oil and natural gas development projects; potential delays in the development, construction or start-up of planned projects; the potential disruption or interruption of Chevron’s operations due to war, accidents, political events, civil unrest, severe weather, cyber threats and terrorist acts, crude oil production quotas or other actions that might be imposed by the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries, or other natural or human causes beyond Chevron’s control; changing economic, regulatory and political environments in the various countries in which Chevron operates; general domestic and international economic and political conditions; the potential liability for remedial actions or assessments under existing or future environmental regulations and litigation; significant operational, investment or product changes required by existing or future environmental statutes and regulations, including international agreements and national or regional legislation and regulatory measures to limit or reduce greenhouse gas emissions; the potential liability resulting from other pending or future litigation; Chevron’s future acquisition or disposition of assets or shares or the delay or failure of such transactions to close based on required closing conditions; the potential for gains and losses from asset dispositions or impairments; government-mandated sales, divestitures, recapitalizations, industry-specific taxes, tariffs, sanctions, changes in fiscal terms or restrictions on scope of company operations; foreign currency movements compared with the U.S. dollar; material reductions in corporate liquidity and access to debt markets; the effects of changed accounting rules under generally accepted accounting principles promulgated by rule-setting bodies; Chevron’s ability to identify and mitigate the risks and hazards inherent in operating in the global energy

industry; and the factors set forth under the heading “Risk Factors” on pages 18 through 21 of Chevron’s 2018 Annual Report on Form 10-K. Other unpredictable or unknown factors not discussed in this Current Report on Form 8-K could also have material adverse effects on forward-looking statements. Chevron assumes no obligation to update any forward-looking statements, except as required by law. Readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements that speak only as of the date hereof.

Important Information For Investors And Stockholders

This communication does not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy any securities or a solicitation of any vote or approval, nor shall there be any sale of securities in any jurisdiction in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such jurisdiction. No offer of securities shall be made except by means of a prospectus meeting the requirements of Section 10 of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended. In connection with the potential transaction, Chevron expects to file a registration statement on Form S-4 with the Securities and Exchange Commission (“SEC”) containing a preliminary prospectus of Chevron that also constitutes a preliminary proxy statement of Anadarko. After the registration statement is declared effective Anadarko will mail a definitive proxy statement/prospectus to stockholders of Anadarko. This communication is not a substitute for the proxy statement/prospectus or registration statement or for any other document that Chevron or Anadarko may file with the SEC and send to Anadarko’s stockholders in connection with the potential transaction. **INVESTORS AND SECURITY HOLDERS OF CHEVRON AND ANADARKO ARE URGED TO READ THE PROXY STATEMENT/PROSPECTUS AND OTHER DOCUMENTS FILED WITH THE SEC CAREFULLY AND IN THEIR ENTIRETY WHEN THEY BECOME AVAILABLE BECAUSE THEY WILL CONTAIN IMPORTANT INFORMATION.** Investors and security holders will be able to obtain free copies of the proxy statement/prospectus (when available) and other documents filed with the SEC by Chevron or Anadarko through the website maintained by the SEC at <http://www.sec.gov>. Copies of the documents filed with the SEC by Chevron will be available free of charge on Chevron’s website at <http://www.chevron.com/investors> and copies of the documents filed with the SEC by Anadarko will be available free of charge on Anadarko’s website at <http://investors.anadarko.com>.

Chevron and Anadarko and certain of their respective directors, certain of their respective executive officers and other members of management and employees may be considered participants in the solicitation of proxies with respect to the potential transaction under the rules of the SEC. Information about the directors and executive officers of Chevron is set forth in its Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2018, which was filed with the SEC on February 22, 2019, and its proxy statement for its 2019 annual meeting of stockholders, which was filed with the SEC on April 15, 2019. Information about the directors and executive officers of Anadarko is set forth in its Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2018, which was filed with the SEC on February 14, 2019, and its proxy statement for its 2019 annual meeting of stockholders, which was filed with the SEC on March 29, 2019. These documents can be obtained free of charge from the sources indicated above. Additional information regarding the interests of such participants in the solicitation of proxies in respect of the potential transaction will be included in the registration statement and proxy statement/prospectus and other relevant materials to be filed with the SEC when they become available.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

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| 2.1 | <u>Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of April 11, 2019, among Chevron Corporation, Justify Merger Sub 1 Inc., Justify Merger Sub 2 Inc. and Anadarko Petroleum Corporation*</u> |

* Exhibits omitted pursuant to item 601(b)(2) of Regulation S-K. Chevron Corporation agrees to furnish supplementally a copy of any omitted exhibit to the SEC upon request.

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SIGNATURES

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

CHEVRON CORPORATION

Dated: April 16, 2019 By: /s/ Jeanette L. Ourada
Jeanette L. Ourada
Vice President and Comptroller
