PATTERSON UTI ENERGY INC Form 8-K January 24, 2007

## **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):

January 22, 2007

# Patterson-UTI Energy, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware	0-22664	75-2504748
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)
4510 Lamesa Hwy., Snyder, Texas		79549
(Address of principal executive offices)		(Zip Code)
Registrant s telephone number, including area code:		325-574-6300
	Not Applicable	
Former name or	former address, if changed since	last report
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**Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.** 

Patterson-UTI Energy, Inc. (the "Company") wishes to disclose its press release dated January 22, 2007, furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1, related to the Company's financial results for the quarter ended December 31, 2006.

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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.

Patterson-UTI Energy, Inc.

January 24, 2007 By: \( \s/\) s/ John E. Vollmer III

Name: John E. Vollmer III Title: Chief Financial Officer

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Exhibit No.	Description
99.1	Press Release dated January 22, 2007, relating to the financial results of Patterson-UTI Energy, Inc. for the quarter ended December 31, 2006.