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): May 5, 2000

SUPERIOR ENERGY SERVICES, INC. (EXACT NAME OF REGISTRANT AS SPECIFIED IN ITS CHARTER)

Delaware0-2031075- 2379388(STATE OR OTHER JURISDICTION(COMMISSION(IRS EMPLOYEROF INCORPORATION)FILE NUMBER)IDENTIFICATION NO.)

1105 Peters Road, Harvey, Louisiana 70058 (ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICES) (ZIP CODE)

(504) 362-4321 (REGISTRANT'S TELEPHONE NUMBER, INCLUDING AREA CODE)

ITEM 5. OTHER EVENTS.

On May 5, 2000, Superior Energy Services, Inc. (the "Company"), announced that it had closed its previously announced offering of common stock. The Company sold 7,300,000 shares at \$9 per share, including 950,000 shares sold pursuant to the underwriter's over-allotment option. The offering was underwritten by Johnson Rice & Company L.L.C.

The offering generated approximately \$63.2 million in net proceeds to the Company, which will be used to repay amounts owed under its revolving credit facility, to fund acquisitions and for general corporate purposes

On May 5, 2000, the Company issued a press release announcing the offering, which is included as Exhibit 99 to this Form 8-K and incorporated herein by reference.

ITEM 7. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.

(a) Exhibits.

\$99\$ Press release issued by Superior Energy Services, Inc. on May 5, 2000.

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.

SUPERIOR ENERGY SERVICES, INC.

By: /S/ Robert S. Taylor

Robert S. Taylor Chief Financial Officer

Dated: May 5, 2000

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Superior Energy Services, Inc.: Terence E. Hall, CEO; Robert Taylor, CFO; Greg Rosenstein, Investor Relations, 504-362-4321

SUPERIOR ENERGY SERVICES, INC. CLOSES \$63.2 MILLION EQUITY OFFERING; OVER-ALLOTMENT OPTION EXERCISED

(Harvey, LA, May 5, 2000) Superior Energy Services, Inc. (NASDAQ: SESI) announced today that it has closed its previously announced offering of common stock. The Company sold 7,300,000 shares at \$9 per share, including 950,000 shares sold pursuant to the underwriter's over-allotment option. The offering was underwritten by Johnson Rice & Company L.L.C.

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Superior provides a broad range of specialized oilfield services and equipment primarily to major and independent oil and gas companies engaged in the exploration, production, and development of oil and gas properties offshore in the Gulf of Mexico and throughout the Gulf Coast region. These services and equipment include the rental of liftboats, rental of specialized oilfield equipment, electric and mechanical wireline services, well plug and abandonment services, coil tubing services, engineering services, the manufacture, sale, and rental of drilling instrumentation, and the manufacture and sale of oil spill containment equipment. Superior is headquartered in Harvey, Louisiana.

This news release contains forward-looking statements under the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Although Superior believes that these statements are based upon reasonable assumptions, the companies can give no assurance that these expectations will be achieved. Actual results may differ materially due to various risks and uncertainties which are outside the control of Superior, such as market prices of oil and gas, the volatility of such prices, governmental regulation and trade restrictions, worldwide economic activity and political stability in major oil producing areas.