

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

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**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 20, 2011

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**ARABIAN AMERICAN DEVELOPMENT COMPANY**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

**1-33926**  
(Commission  
File Number)

**75-1256622**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**1600 Hwy 6 South, Suite 240, Sugar Land, Texas 77478**  
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code): **(409) 385-8300**

(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 obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers**

In accordance with Article III, Section 2 of the Registrant's By-Laws, and by unanimous vote of Registrant's Board of Directors dated May 20, 2011, Joseph P. Palm was appointed to be a member of the Board of Directors of the Registrant effective May 20, 2011, and shall hold office until the 2012 annual meeting of stockholders. Mr. Palm holds an MBA from Xavier University and has over 40 years of experience in industry primarily in the marketing area including 13 years with BP Amoco Chemical as marketing manager and business development manager.

SIGNATURE

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.

ARABIAN AMERICAN DEVELOPMENT COMPANY

Date: May 23, 2011  
Connie Cook, Secretary

By: /s/ Connie Cook \_\_\_\_\_

