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) JULY 17, 2001 (JULY 13, 2001)

CHESAPEAKE ENERGY CORPORATION

_____ (Exact name of Registrant as specified in its Charter)

of incorporation)

OKLAHOMA1-1372673-1395733(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)(Commission File No.)(IRS Employer Identification No.) 1-13726

6100 NORTH WESTERN AVENUE, OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA (Address of principal executive offices)

73118 -----(Zip Code)

(405) 848-8000 -----(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

ITEM 5. OTHER EVENTS

On July 13, 2001, Chesapeake Energy Corporation issued a press release announcing second quarter 2001 earnings release and conference call.

- ITEM 7. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS
 - (c) Exhibits. The following exhibit is filed herewith:
 - 99. Press Release issued by the Registrant on July 13, 2001.

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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, thereunto duly authorized.

CHESAPEAKE ENERGY CORPORATION

BY: /s/ AUBREY K. MCCLENDON AUBREY K. MCCLENDON Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer

Dated: July 17, 2001

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DESCRIPTION

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EXHIBIT 99

NEWS RELEASE

[CHESAPEAKE ENERGY CORPORATION LETTERHEAD]

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE JULY 13, 2001

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CHESAPEAKE ENERGY CORPORATION ANNOUNCES

2Q 2001 EARNINGS RELEASE AND CONFERENCE CALL DATES

OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA, JULY 13, 2001 - Chesapeake Energy Corporation (NYSE:CHK) has scheduled its second quarter 2001 earnings release to be issued after the close of trading on the New York Stock Exchange on Thursday, July 26, 2001.

A conference call is scheduled for Friday morning, July 27, 2001 at 8:00 am CDT to discuss the release. The telephone number to access the conference call is 913.981.4901.

For those unable to participate in the conference call, a replay will be available for audio playback at 11:00 am CDT on July 27, 2001, and will run through midnight Friday, August 10,2001. The number to access the conference call replay is 719.457.0820. The passcode for the replay is 402673.

The conference call will also be simulcast live on the internet and can be accessed either by going directly to the Chesapeake website at www.chkenergy.com and selecting "Shareholder Information", or by going directly to www.VCall.com. For those who cannot listen to the live broadcast, a replay will be available shortly after the call and will be available for approximately ninety days thereafter.

Chesapeake Energy Corporation is among the 10 largest independent natural gas producers in the U.S. Headquartered in Oklahoma City, the company's operations are focused on exploratory and developmental drilling and producing property acquisitions in the Mid-Continent region of the United States. The company's internet address is www.chkenergy.com.