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 12, 2005

VALERO ENERGY CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 1-13175 (Commission File Number) 74-1828067 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

One Valero Way San Antonio, Texas (Address of principal executive offices)

78249 (Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (210) 345-2000

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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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

Item 8.01 Other Events.

On May 12, 2005, senior management of Valero Energy Corporation (the Company) participated at a Morgan Stanley energy conference (the Conference). The slides attached to this report were prepared in connection with management s participation at the Conference. The slides are included in Exhibit 99.1 to this report and are incorporated herein by reference. The slides will be available on the Company s website at *www.valero.com*.

Safe Harbor Statement

Statements contained in the exhibit to this report that state the Company s or its management s expectations or predictions of the future are forward-looking statements intended to be covered by the safe harbor provisions of the Securities Act of 1933 and the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. It is important to note that the Company s actual results could differ materially from those projected in such forward-looking statements. Factors that could affect those results include those mentioned in the documents that the Company has filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Item 9.01	Financial Statements and Exhibits.
(c)	Exhibits.
99.1	Slides for May 12, 2005 management presentation.
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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 hereunto duly authorized.

VALERO ENERGY CORPORATION

Date: May 12, 2005

By:

/s/ Jay D. Browning Jay D. Browning Vice President and Secretary

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