

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): **December 27, 2021**

ROC Energy Acquisition Corp.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

001-41103

(Commission
File Number)

87-2488708

(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

**16400 Dallas Parkway
Dallas, Texas 75248**

(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(972) 392-6180**

Not Applicable

(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:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

| Title of each class | Trading Symbol(s) | Name of each exchange on which registered |
|--|-------------------|---|
| Units, each consisting of one share of Common Stock, \$0.0001 par value, and one Right to receive one-tenth of one share of Common Stock | ROCAU | The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC |
| Common Stock, \$0.0001 par value per share | ROC | The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC |
| Rights, each exchangeable into one-tenth of one share of Common Stock | ROCAR | The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC |

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Item 8.01. Other Events.

Separate Trading of Units, Shares of Common Stock and Rights

On December 27, 2021, ROC Energy Acquisition Corp. (the “**Company**”) announced that, commencing on December 29, 2021, the holders of units issued in its IPO (the “**Units**”), each consisting of one share of common stock of the Company, par value \$0.0001 per share (the “**Common Stock**”), and one right to receive one-tenth of one share of Common Stock (“**Right**”), may elect to separately trade shares of Common Stock and Rights included in the Units. The Units not separated will continue to trade on the Nasdaq Global Market under the symbol “ROCAU.” Shares of Common Stock and the Rights are expected to trade on the Nasdaq Global Market under the symbols “ROC” and “ROCAR,” respectively. No fractional Rights will be issued upon separation of the Units and only whole Rights will trade. Holders of Units will need to have their brokers contact Continental Stock Transfer & Trust Company, the Company’s transfer agent, in order to separate the Units into shares of Common Stock and Rights.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

| Exhibit No. | Description |
|----------------------|--|
| 99.1 | Press Release dated December 27, 2021. |

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.

ROC Energy Acquisition Corp.

By: /s/ Daniel Jeffrey Kimes

Name: Daniel Jeffrey Kimes

Title: Chief Executive Officer

Dated: December 27, 2021

ROC Energy Acquisition Corp. Announces the Separate Trading of its Common Stock and Rights, Commencing December 29, 2021

New York, NY, Dec. 27, 2021 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- ROC Energy Acquisition Corp. (NASDAQ: ROCAU) (the "Company") announced that, commencing December 29, 2021, holders of the units sold in the Company's initial public offering may elect to separately trade shares of the Company's common stock and rights included in the units. No fractional rights will be issued upon separation of the units and only whole rights will trade. Common stock and rights that are separated will trade on the Nasdaq Global Market under the symbols "ROC" and "ROCAR," respectively. Those units not separated will continue to trade on the Nasdaq Global Market under the symbol "ROCAU."

This press release shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy the securities of the Company, nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any state or jurisdiction in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such state or jurisdiction.

About ROC Energy Acquisition Corp.

The Company is a blank check company formed for the purpose of effecting a merger, capital stock exchange, asset acquisition, stock purchase, reorganization or similar business combination with one or more businesses. While the Company may pursue an acquisition in any business industry or sector, it intends to concentrate its efforts on the non-operated, upstream oil and gas sector in the U.S. The Company is led by Chief Executive Officer Daniel Jeffrey Kimes and Chief Financial Officer Rosemarie Cicalese.

Forward-Looking Statements

This press release may include, and oral statements made from time to time by representatives of the Company may include, "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. Statements regarding possible business combinations and the financing thereof, and related matters, as well as all other statements other than statements of historical fact included in this press release are forward-looking statements. When used in this press release, words such as "anticipate," "believe," "continue," "could," "estimate," "expect," "intend," "may," "might," "plan," "possible," "potential," "predict," "project," "should," "would" and similar expressions, as they relate to us or our management team, identify forward-looking statements. Such forward-looking statements are based on the beliefs of management, as well as assumptions made by, and information currently available to, the Company's management. Actual results could differ materially from those contemplated by the forward-looking statements as a result of certain factors detailed in the Company's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"). All subsequent written or oral forward-looking statements attributable to us or persons acting on our behalf are qualified in their entirety by this paragraph. Forward-looking statements are subject to numerous conditions, many of which are beyond the control of the Company, including those set forth in the Risk Factors section of the Company's registration statement and prospectus for the Company's initial public offering filed with the SEC. The Company undertakes no obligation to update these statements for revisions or changes after the date of this release, except as required by law.

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