

IVANHOE ENERGY INC  
Form 8-K  
January 16, 2008

**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 19, 2007

**IVANHOE ENERGY INC.**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

**Yukon, Canada**

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

**000-30586**

(Commission File Number)

**98-0372413**

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

**Suite 654 – 999 Canada Place**

**Vancouver, BC, Canada**

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(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(Zip Code)

**(604) 688-8323**

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

**Not Applicable**

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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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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**Section 5 – Corporate Governance and Management**

**Item 5.02. Election of Directors**

**Election of Directors:**

On December 19, 2007, Peter G. Meredith was appointed to the Registrant’s board of directors. Mr. Meredith is a seasoned executive with a strong background in corporate management and in key facets of the mining industry, including financing, operations, exploration and mine construction.

Prior to his appointment as Deputy Chairman of Ivanhoe Mines Ltd. in May, 2006, Mr. Meredith was the Chief Financial Officer of Ivanhoe Mines Ltd. from May, 2004 to May, 2006 and from June, 1999, to November, 2001. Mr. Meredith also served as Chief Financial Officer of the Registrant from June, 1999 to January, 2000. Mr. Meredith has been the Chief Executive Officer of SouthGobi Energy Resources Ltd., formerly Asia Gold Corp., since June 25, 2007.

A Chartered Accountant, Mr. Meredith previously spent 31 years with Deloitte and Touche LLP.

**SIGNATURES**

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.

**IVANHOE ENERGY INC.**

Date: January 16, 2008

By: /s/ Beverly A. Bartlett  
Beverly A. Bartlett  
Vice President and Corporate Secretary