

FORM 6-K

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

Report of Foreign Private Issuer  
Pursuant to Rule 13a - 16 or 15b - 16 of  
The Securities Exchange Act of 1934

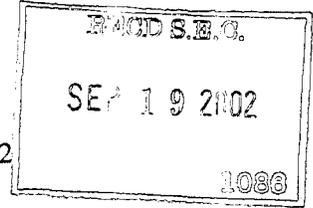
For the month of September, 2002

Trans-Orient Petroleum Ltd.

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

887 Helmcken Street, Vancouver, BC V6Z 1B1 Canada

(Address of Principal executive offices)



PROCESSED

SEP 20 2002

THOMSON  
FINANCIAL

PE  
9-1-02



Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover Form 20-F or Form 40-F

Form 20-F  Form 40-F

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant by furnishing the information contained in this Form is also thereby furnishing the information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Yes  No

If "Yes" is marked, indicate below the file number assigned to the registrant in connection with Rule 12g3-2(b): 0-27668.

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, thereunto duly authorized.

Date: September 18, 2002

Trans-Orient Petroleum Ltd.  
(Registrant)

[Signature]  
(Signature)

Garth Johnson  
(Name)

President, CEO, Secretary, CFO  
(Title)

[Handwritten Signature]

This is the form of material change report required under section 85(1) of the Securities Act.

**FORM 53-901F**

**Securities Act**

**MATERIAL CHANGE REPORT UNDER SECTION 85(1) OF THE ACT**

**Item 1.**

**Reporting Issuer**

Trans-Orient Petroleum Ltd.  
887 Helmcken Street  
Vancouver, B.C. V6Z 1B1

**Item 2.**

**Date of Material Change**

On or about September 16, 2002

**Item 3.**

**Press Release**

September 16, 2002

**Item 4.**

**Summary of Material Change**

Vancouver, BC, September 16, 2002 - Trans-Orient Petroleum Ltd. (OTCBB: TOPTF) announced today that it has acquired by way of private placement 175,000 units of Indo-Pacific Energy Ltd. (OTCBB: INDOF) at US\$0.80 per unit. Each unit consists of one common share and one share purchase warrant, exercisable at US\$0.90 in year one and US\$1.15 in year two.

**Item 5.**

**Full Description of Material Change**

Vancouver, BC, September 16, 2002 - Trans-Orient Petroleum Ltd. (OTCBB: TOPTF) announced today that it has acquired by way of private placement 175,000 units of Indo-Pacific Energy Ltd. (OTCBB: INDOF) at US\$0.80 per unit. Each unit consists of one common share and one share purchase warrant, exercisable at US\$0.90 in year one and US\$1.15 in year two.

Upon completion of this investment, the Company will hold approximately 12% of the issued and outstanding shares of Indo-Pacific and 17% on a fully diluted basis.

For Further Information:  
Republic Communications Ltd.

Toll Free: 1-866-414-4144  
Email: [ir@transorient.com](mailto:ir@transorient.com)  
Web Site: [www.transorient.com](http://www.transorient.com)

**Item 6. Reliance on Section 85(2) of the Act**

N/A

**Item 7. Omitted Information**

None

**Item 8. Senior Officers**

Garth Johnson, President, CEO, Corporate Secretary and  
Chief Financial Officer  
(604) 682-6496

**Item 9. Statement of Senior Officer**

The foregoing accurately discloses the material change  
referred to herein.

September 18, 2002 "Garth Johnson"

\_\_\_\_\_  
Garth Johnson, President, CEO, Corporate  
Secretary/Chief Financial Officer

Place of Declaration: Vancouver, B.C.



## **Trans-Orient Acquires Units in Indo-Pacific Energy**

Vancouver, BC, September 16, 2002 - Trans-Orient Petroleum Ltd., (OTCBB:TOPTF) announced today that it has acquired by way of private placement 175,000 units of Indo-Pacific Energy Ltd. (OTCBB: INDOF) at \$.80 per unit. Each unit consists of one common share and one share purchase warrant, exercisable at US\$0.90 in year one and US\$1.15 in year two.

Upon completion of this investment the Company will hold approximately 12% of the issued and outstanding shares of Indo-Pacific and 17% on a fully diluted basis.

For further Information:  
Republic Communications Ltd.  
Toll Free: 1-866-414-4144  
Email: [ir@transorient.com](mailto:ir@transorient.com)

Web Site:  
[www.transorient.com](http://www.transorient.com)