

North American Energy Partners Inc.
Form 6-K
December 14, 2007

**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

FORM 6-K

**Report of Foreign Private Issuer
Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16
under
the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

**For the month of December 2007
Commission File Number 001-33161**

NORTH AMERICAN ENERGY PARTNERS INC.

**Zone 3 Acheson Industrial Area
2-53016 Highway 60
Acheson, Alberta
Canada T7X 5A7**
(Address of principal executive offices)

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Documents Included as Part of this Report

No. News Release

1 NORTH AMERICAN ENERGY PARTNERS' CORPORATE CREDIT RATING RAISED BY
STANDARD & POOR'S

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.

NORTH AMERICAN ENERGY PARTNERS INC.

Date: December 13, 2007

By: /s/ Vincent J. Gallant

Name: Vincent J. Gallant

Title: Acting Vice President, Finance and Chief
Financial Officer