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ConocoPhillips announced on May 29, 2024, its agreement to acquire rival Marathon Oil in an all-stock transaction valued at approximately $22.5 billion, including $5.4 billion in debt. As per the agreement, Marathon shareholders will receive 0.255 ConocoPhillips shares for each Marathon share, reflecting a 14.7% premium over Marathon's closing share price on May 28.

The deal, expected to close in the fourth quarter of 2024, follows a trend of significant consolidation in the oil industry. Notable recent acquisitions include ExxonMobil’s $60 billion purchase of Pioneer Natural Resources and Chevron’s $53 billion takeover of Hess.

Marathon Oil holds operations in key oil fields in New Mexico, North Dakota, Texas, and offshore Equatorial Guinea. The acquisition is set to deepen ConocoPhillips' portfolio with high-quality, low-cost inventory, according to ConocoPhillips CEO Ryan Lance.

The deal is subject to regulatory approval and shareholder votes from both companies. ConocoPhillips expects the acquisition to be immediately accretive to earnings and has announced a 34% increase in its ordinary dividend starting in the fourth quarter of 2024, along with plans to repurchase $20 billion of its shares within the first three years post-closing.