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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): January 25, 2012

NOBLE CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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of incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

Dorfstrasse 19A

Baar, Switzerland 6340 (Address of principal executive offices, including zip code) Registrant s telephone number, including area code: 41 (41) 761-65-55

(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))

ITEM 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On January 25, 2012, Noble Corporation (the Company) issued a press release announcing its financial results for the three and twelve months ended December 31, 2011. A copy of such press release is included as Exhibit 99.1 and will be published in the Newsroom area on the Company s web site at http://www.noblecorp.com.

Pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission, the press release is being furnished and shall not be deemed to be filed under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

ITEM 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit 99.1 Noble Corporation Press Release dated January 25, 2012, announcing the financial results for the three and twelve months ended December 31, 2011.

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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.

NOBLE CORPORATION

Date: January 25, 2012 By: /s/ James A. MacLennan

James A. MacLennan

Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Controller

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