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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 23, 2013

NOBLE CORPORATION

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Switzerland (State or other jurisdiction of

incorporation or organization)

000-53604 (Commission 98-0619597 (I.R.S. employer

file number)

identification number)

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Dorfstrasse 19A

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

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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 23, 2013, Noble Corporation (the Company) issued a press release announcing its consolidated financial results for the quarter and year ended December 31, 2012. 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 23, 2013, announcing its consolidated financial results for the quarter and year ended December 31, 2012.

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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 23, 2013

By: /s/ James A. MacLennan James A. MacLennan Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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Exhibit No.

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Description

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