Noble Corp plc Form 8-K August 20, 2014

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): August 18, 2014

NOBLE CORPORATION plc

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

England and Wales (State or other jurisdiction

of incorporation or organization)

001-36211 (Commission 98-0619597 (I.R.S. employer identification number)

file number)

Devonshire House, 1 Mayfair Place London, England W1J8AJ (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code) Registrant s telephone number, including area code: +44 20 3300 2300

NOBLE CORPORATION

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Cayman Islands (State or other jurisdiction 001-31306 (Commission 98-0366361 (I.R.S. employer identification number)

of incorporation or organization)

file number)

Suite 3D, Landmark Square

64 Earth Close

P.O. Box 31327

Georgetown, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands, BWI (Address of principal executive offices) Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (345) 938-0293

KY-1 1206 (Zip code)

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Explanatory Note

This combined filing on Form 8-K is separately filed by Noble Corporation plc, a public limited company incorporated under the laws of England and Wales (Noble-U.K.), and Noble Corporation, a Cayman Islands company (Noble-Cayman). Information in this filing relating to Noble-Cayman is filed by Noble-U.K. and separately by Noble-Cayman on its own behalf. Noble-Cayman makes no representation as to information relating to Noble-U.K. (except as it may relate to Noble-Cayman) or any other affiliate or subsidiary of Noble-U.K. This report should be read in its entirety as it pertains to each of Noble-U.K. and Noble-Cayman.

Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

On August 18, 2014, Noble-Cayman entered into a second amendment (the Amendment) to the credit agreement dated as of August 22, 2013 governing its \$600 million senior unsecured 364-day revolving credit facility (as amended, the Credit Agreement). The Amendment, among other things, extends the maturity date of the Credit Agreement for a six-month period to February 20, 2015 for those lenders who have agreed to such extension and have executed the Amendment as an extending lender.

The foregoing description is qualified in its entirety by reference to the Amendment, a copy of which is filed as Exhibit 4.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated by reference herein.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

DESCRIPTION

(d) Exhibits.

EXHIBIT NUMBER

4.1

Second Amendment to 364-Day Revolving Credit Agreement dated as of August 18, 2014, by and among Noble-Cayman, as borrower, JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as administrative agent, and the lenders party thereto, and consented and agreed to by Noble Holding (U.S.) Corporation and Noble Holding International Limited, as guarantors.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, each Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Date: August 20, 2014

Noble Corporation plc, a public limited company incorporated under the laws of England and Wales

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

Noble Corporation, a Cayman Islands company

By: /s/ Alan R. Hay Name: Alan R. Hay Title: Vice President and Secretary

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