Noble Corp plc Form 4 February 02, 2015

## FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Adda WILLIAMS D	ress of Reporting Person *AVID W	2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol Noble Corp plc [NE]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)		
(Last)  DEVONSHIR  MAYFAIR PL		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/29/2015	_X_ Director 10% OwnerX_ Officer (give title Other (specibelow) below)  Chairman, President and CEO		
LONDON, X0	(Street) W1J8AJ	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned								
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)				5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Shares	01/29/2015		Code V	Amount 40,920	or (D) A	Price \$ 0	(Instr. 3 and 4) 431,202	D		
Shares	01/29/2015		F	10,909	D	\$ 15.73	420,293	D		
Shares	02/01/2015		A	31,881	A	\$0	452,174	D		
Shares	02/01/2015		F	9,849	D	\$ 15.73	442,325	D		

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transact Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of conDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amo of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	/ (A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo Num Share
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0 (1)	01/29/2015		A	185,950	, ,	(2)	(2)	Shares	185
Performance Vested Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0 (3)	01/29/2015		A	371,900		(3)	(3)	Shares	371
Performance Vested Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0	01/29/2015		D		164,764 (4) (5)	<u>(5)</u>	<u>(5)</u>	Shares	164 <u>(</u>
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0	01/29/2015		D		40,920 (4) (6)	(2)	<u>(2)</u>	Shares	40, <u>(</u>
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0	02/01/2015		D		31,881 (4) (7)	(2)	(2)	Shares	31,

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Date

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
• •	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
WILLIAMS DAVID W							
DEVONSHIRE HOUSE	X		Chairman, President and CEO				
1 MAYFAIR PLACE	Λ						
LONDON, X0 W1J8AJ							

# **Signatures**

/s/ Julie J. Robertson By Power of Attorney dated August 1, 02/02/2015

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

# **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share.

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- (2) The restricted stock units vest and settle in three equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date.
  - Each performance vested restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share. Performance vested restricted stock units
- (3) vest upon the company achieving a total shareholder return over a three-year performance cycle (2015-2017) relative to a specified peer group.
- (4) Total share amount reflects an adjustment resulting from the spin-off of Paragon Offshore plc. The number of shares awarded prior to the spin-off have been increased to provide awardee with substantially equivalent economic value after the spin-off.
- (5) Represents performance based restricted share units awarded on February 3, 2012. Shares underlying this award have been fully forfeited.
- (6) Represents the first of three vesting events for restricted stock units awarded on January 29, 2014.
- (7) Represents the second of three vesting events for restricted stock units awarded on February 1, 2013.

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