Noble Corp / Switzerland Form 8-K April 18, 2012

# 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): April 18, 2012

# **NOBLE CORPORATION**

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Switzerland (State or other jurisdiction of

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

incorporation or organization)

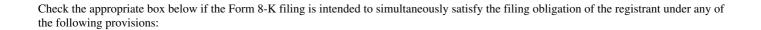
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#### **Dorfstrasse 19A**

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



- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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#### Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On April 18, 2012, Noble Corporation (the Company ) issued a press release announcing its financial results for the three months ended March 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 April 18, 2012, announcing the financial results for the three months ended March 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: April 18, 2012 By: /s/ James A. MacLennan James A. MacLennan

Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Controller

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Exhibit No. Description

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