

Noble Corp / Switzerland  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**WILLIAMS DAVID W**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**DORFSTRASSE 19A**

(Street)

**6340 BAAR, SWITZERLAND**

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**Noble Corp / Switzerland [NE]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
**02/03/2012**

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
**Chairman, President, and CEO**

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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**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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Shares (1)	02/03/2012		D		152,068	D	\$ 0
Shares	02/03/2012		F		12,394	D	\$ 36.815
Shares	02/04/2012		A		21,214	A	\$ 0
Shares	02/04/2012		F		7,733	D	\$ 36.815
Shares	02/06/2012		A		19,260	A	\$ 0
Shares	02/06/2012		F		7,021	D	\$ 37.315

Shares 139.5618 I By Trust  
(2)

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
					Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	
Stock Options	\$ 36.815	02/03/2012		A		89,302		(3)	02/03/2022	Shares 89,302
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0 (4)	02/03/2012		A		65,191		(5)	(5)	Shares 65,191
Performance Vested Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0 (6)	02/03/2012		A		136,870		(6)	(6)	Shares 136,870
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0 (4)	02/04/2012		D			21,214	(5)	(5)	Shares 21,214
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0 (4)	02/06/2012		D			19,260	(5)	(5)	Shares 19,260

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
WILLIAMS DAVID W DORFSTRASSE 19A 6340 BAAR, SWITZERLAND	X		Chairman, President, and CEO	

## Signatures

/s/ Julie J. Robertson By Power of Attorney dated August 1, 2011

02/07/2012

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## 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) Forfeiture of performance based restricted shares from award date February 25, 2009
- (2) Shares held in the Noble Drilling Corporation 401(k) Savings Plan
- (3) Represents option to purchase 89,302 shares at \$36.815 with a vesting schedule of 29,767 shares on February 3, 2013; 29,767 shares on February 3, 2014; and 29,768 shares on February 3, 2015
- (4) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share
- (5) 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
- (6) Units vest upon the company achieving a total shareholder return over a three-year performance cycle (2012-2014) relative to a specified peer group

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