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Noble Corp plc Form 8-K January 22, 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): January 22, 2014

# NOBLE CORPORATION plc

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**England and Wales** (State or other jurisdiction

**001-36211** (Commission

98-0619597 (I.R.S. employer

of incorporation)

file number)

identification no.)

Devonshire House, 1 Mayfair Place

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# London, England (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code) Registrant s telephone number, including area code: +44 20 3300 2300

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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 22, 2014, Noble Corporation plc (the Company) issued a press release announcing its consolidated financial results for the quarter and year ended December 31, 2013. 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 Press Release issued by Noble Corporation plc dated January 22, 2014.

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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.

Date: January 22, 2014

NOBLE CORPORATION plc

By: /s/ James A. MacLennan James A. MacLennan

Senior Vice President and Chief Financial

Officer

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