

Noble Corp plc  
Form 3  
March 12, 2014

**FORM 3 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**Washington, D.C. 20549**

OMB APPROVAL

OMB Number: 3235-0104  
Expires: January 31, 2005  
Estimated average burden hours per response... 0.5

**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,  
Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section  
30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *		2. Date of Event Requiring Statement	3. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol	
Â Johnson Simon		(Month/Day/Year)	Noble Corp plc [NE]	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	03/03/2014	
13135 S. DAIRY			4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)
ASHFORD,Â SUITE 800			(Check all applicable)	
(Street)			<input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
SUGAR LAND,Â TXÂ 77478			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Sr. VP - Marketing & Contracts	<input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Shares	19,712	D	Â

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

SEC 1473 (7-02)

**Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB control number.**

**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)  Title	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
---	---	---	--	---	--

Edgar Filing: Noble Corp plc - Form 3

	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date		Amount or Number of Shares		or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Stock Options	Â (1)	02/03/2022	Shares	4,465	\$ 36.815	D	Â
Restricted Stock Units	Â (3)	Â (3)	Shares	1,180	\$ 0 (2)	D	Â
Restricted Stock Units	Â (4)	Â (4)	Shares	1,087	\$ 0 (2)	D	Â
Restricted Stock Units	Â (5)	Â (5)	Shares	2,445	\$ 0 (2)	D	Â
Restricted Stock Units	Â (6)	Â (6)	Shares	12,551	\$ 0 (2)	D	Â
Performance Vested Restricted Stock Units	Â (7)	Â (7)	Shares	6,844	\$ 0 (7)	D	Â
Performance Vested Restricted Stock Units	Â (8)	Â (8)	Shares	7,334	\$ 0 (8)	D	Â
Performance Vested Restricted Stock Units	Â (9)	Â (9)	Shares	25,102	\$ 0 (9)	D	Â

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Johnson Simon 13135 S. DAIRY ASHFORD SUITE 800 SUGAR LAND, TX 77478	Â	Â	Â Sr. VP - Marketing & Contracts	Â

## Signatures

/s/ Julie J. Robertson By Power of Attorney Dated March 4, 2014 03/12/2014

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) Stock options vest in one-third increments on each anniversary of the grant date; 1,488 vested on 2/3/2013, 1,488 vested on 2/3/2014, 1,489 vest on 2/3/2015
- (2) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share
- (3) The restricted stock units vest as follows: 1,180 vest on 4/29/2014
- (4) The restricted stock units vest as follows: 1,087 vest on 2/3/2015
- (5) The restricted stock units vest as follows: 1,222 vest on 2/1/2015, 1,223 vest on 2/1/2016
- (6) The restricted stock units vest as follows: 4,183 vest on 1/29/2015, 4,184 vest on 1/29/2016, 4,184 vest on 1/29/2017

Each Performance Vested Restricted Stock Unit represents a contingent right to receive one share. Performance Vested Restricted Stock

- (7) Units vest upon the company achieving a total shareholder return over a three-year performance cycle (2012-2014) relative to a specified peer group. Grant date was 2/3/2012

- (8) Each Performance Vested Restricted Stock Unit represents a contingent right to receive one share. Performance Vested Restricted Stock Units vest upon the company achieving a total shareholder return over a three-year performance cycle (2013-2015) relative to a specified

## Edgar Filing: Noble Corp plc - Form 3

peer group. Grant date was 2/1/2013

- Each Performance Vested Restricted Stock Unit represents a contingent right to receive one share. Performance Vested Restricted Stock
- (9) Units vest upon the company achieving a total shareholder return over a three-year performance cycle (2014-2016) relative to a specified peer group. Grant date was 1/29/2014

Â

**Remarks:**

ExhibitÂ Index:

ExhibitÂ 24Â -Â PowerÂ ofÂ Attorney

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *See* Instruction 6 for procedure.

Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.