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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549			
FORM 10-Q			
(Mark One)QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTIONxSECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934For the quarterly period ended September 30, 2012ORTRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTIONoSECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934For the transition period fromto			
Commission File Number 1-8097			
Ensco plc (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)			
England and Wales (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)	98-0635229 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)		
6 Chesterfield Gardens London, England (Address of principal executive offices) Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 44 (6	W1J 5BQ (Zip Code) 0) 20 7659 4660		
Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes x No o			
Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes x No o			
Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.			
Large accelerated filer x	Accelerated filer	0	

Non-Accelerated filer	o (Do not check if a smaller reporting company)	Smaller reporting company	0
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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes o No x

As of October 26, 2012, there were 232,235,808 Class A ordinary shares of the registrant issued and outstanding.

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

On May 31, 2011 (the "Merger Date"), Ensco plc completed the acquisition of Pride International, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("Pride") through a merger transaction (the "Merger") with an indirect, wholly-owned subsidiary of Ensco plc.

In connection with the integration of Pride's operations, we are in the process of changing the names of most of Pride's fleet in accordance with our naming convention. For purposes of this quarterly report, we used the new names whether or not the name change had been legally completed. For a list of the new and old rig names, see our most recent Fleet Status Report posted in the Investor Relations section of our website at www.enscoplc.com. Information contained on our website is not included as part of, or incorporated by reference into, this report.

FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

Statements contained in this report that are not historical facts are forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Forward-looking statements include words or phrases such as "anticipate," "believe," "estimate," "expect," "intend," "plan," "project," "could," "may," "might," "should," "will" and similar words and specifically include statements regarding expected financial performance; expected utilization, day rates, revenues, operating expenses, contract term, contract backlog, capital expenditures, insurance, financing and funding; the timing of availability, delivery, mobilization, contract commencement or relocation or other movement of rigs; future rig construction (including construction in progress and completion thereof), enhancement, upgrade or repair and timing thereof; the suitability of rigs for future contracts; general market, business and industry conditions, trends and outlook; future operations; the impact of increasing regulatory complexity; expected contributions from our rig fleet expansion program and our program to high-grade the rig fleet by investing in new equipment and divesting selected assets and underutilized rigs; expense management; and the likely outcome of litigation, legal proceedings, investigations or insurance or other claims and the timing thereof.

Such statements are subject to numerous risks, uncertainties and assumptions that may cause actual results to vary materially from those indicated, including:

downtime and other risks associated with offshore rig operations or rig relocations, including rig or equipment failure, damage and other unplanned repairs, the limited availability of transport vessels, hazards, self-imposed drilling limitations and other delays due to severe storms and hurricanes and the limited availability or high cost of insurance coverage for certain offshore perils, such as hurricanes in the Gulf of Mexico or associated removal of wreckage or debris;

changes in worldwide rig supply and demand, competition or technology, including changes as a result of delivery of newbuild drilling rigs;

changes in future levels of drilling activity and expenditures, whether as a result of global capital markets and liquidity, prices of oil and natural gas or otherwise, which may cause us to idle or stack additional rigs;

governmental action, terrorism, piracy, military action and political and economic uncertainties, including uncertainty or instability resulting from civil unrest, political demonstrations, mass strikes, or an escalation or additional outbreak of armed hostilities or other crises in oil or natural gas producing areas of the Middle East, North Africa, West Africa or other geographic regions, which may result in expropriation, nationalization, confiscation or deprivation of our assets or result in claims of a force majeure situation;

potential long-lived asset or goodwill impairments;

risks inherent to shipyard rig construction, repair or enhancement, including risks associated with concentration of our construction contracts with two shipyards, unexpected delays in equipment delivery and engineering or design issues following delivery, or changes in the commencement, completion or service dates;

the outcome of litigation, legal proceedings, investigations or other claims or contract disputes, including any inability to collect receivables or resolve significant contractual or day rate disputes, any purported renegotiation, nullification, cancellation or breach of contracts with customers or other parties and any failure to negotiate or complete definitive contracts following announcements of receipt of letters of intent;

governmental regulatory, legislative and permitting requirements or other events affecting drilling operations, including limitations on drilling locations, such as the Gulf of Mexico during hurricane season;

new and future regulatory, legislative or permitting requirements, future lease sales, changes in laws, rules and regulations that have or may impose increased financial responsibility, additional oil spill abatement contingency plan capability requirements and other governmental actions that may result in claims of force majeure or otherwise adversely affect our existing drilling contracts;

possible cancellation or suspension of drilling contracts as a result of mechanical difficulties, performance or other reasons or delays in actual contract commencement dates;

our ability to attract and retain skilled personnel on commercially reasonable terms, whether due to labor regulations, unionization or otherwise;

environmental or other liabilities, risks or losses, whether related to storm or hurricane damage, losses or liabilities (including wreckage or debris removal), collisions, groundings, blowouts, fires, explosions and other accidents or terrorism or otherwise, for which insurance coverage and contractual indemnities may be insufficient, unenforceable or otherwise unavailable;

our debt levels and debt agreement restrictions may limit our liquidity and flexibility in obtaining additional financing and in pursuing other business opportunities;

adverse changes in foreign currency exchange rates, including their effect on the fair value measurement of our derivative instruments;

our ability to realize expected benefits from the December 2009 redomestication as a U.K. public limited company and the related reorganization of Ensco's corporate structure (the "redomestication"), including the effect of any changes in laws, rules and regulations, or the interpretation thereof, or in the applicable facts, that could adversely affect our status as a non-U.S. corporation for U.S. tax purposes or otherwise adversely affect our anticipated consolidated effective income tax rate; and

risks associated with the issuance and trading of our Class A ordinary shares that were not associated with our American depositary shares.

In addition to the numerous risks, uncertainties and assumptions described above, you should also carefully read and consider "Item 1A. Risk Factors" in Part I and "Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" in Part II of our annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2011, as updated in our quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, which are available on the SEC's website at www.sec.gov. Each forward-looking statement speaks only as of the date of the particular statement, and we undertake no obligation to

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publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements, except as required by law.

PART I - FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Item 1. Financial Statements

REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

The Board of Directors and Shareholders Ensco plc:

We have reviewed the condensed consolidated balance sheet of Ensco plc and subsidiaries (the Company) as of September 30, 2012, the related condensed consolidated statements of income for the three-month and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2012 and 2011, the related condensed consolidated statements of comprehensive income for the three-month and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2012 and 2011, and the related condensed consolidated statements of comprehensive income for the three-month and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2012 and 2011, and the related condensed consolidated statements of cash flows for the nine-month periods ended September 30, 2012 and 2011. These condensed consolidated financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management.

We conducted our review in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). A review of interim financial information consists principally of applying analytical procedures and making inquiries of persons responsible for financial and accounting matters. It is substantially less in scope than an audit conducted in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the objective of which is the expression of an opinion regarding the financial statements taken as a whole. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. Based on our review, we are not aware of any material modifications that should be made to the condensed consolidated financial statements referred to above for them to be in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

We have previously audited, in accordance with standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the consolidated balance sheet of Ensco plc and subsidiaries as of December 31, 2011, and the related consolidated statements of income and cash flows for the year then ended (not presented herein); and in our report dated February 24, 2012, we expressed an unqualified opinion on those consolidated financial statements. In our opinion, the information set forth in the accompanying condensed consolidated balance sheet as of December 31, 2011 is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the consolidated balance sheet from which it has been derived.

/s/ KPMG LLP

Houston, Texas November 1, 2012

ENSCO PLC AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (In millions, except per share amounts) (Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended September 30,			
	2012		2011	
OPERATING REVENUES	\$1,123.6		\$915.6	
OPERATING EXPENSES				
Contract drilling (exclusive of depreciation)	523.1		477.5	
Depreciation	145.2		135.8	
General and administrative	40.2		40.8	
	708.5		654.1	
OPERATING INCOME	415.1		261.5	
OTHER INCOME (EXPENSE)				
Interest income	5.5		6.5	
Interest expense, net	(30.9)	(30.8)
Other, net	.2		10.8	
	(25.2)	(13.5)
INCOME BEFORE INCOME TAXES	389.9		248.0	
PROVISION FOR INCOME TAXES				
Current income tax expense	44.0		44.2	
Deferred income tax expense (benefit)	.5		(2.3)
	44.5		41.9	
NET INCOME	345.4		206.1	
NET INCOME ATTRIBUTABLE TO NONCONTROLLING INTERESTS	(1.9)	(1.6)
NET INCOME ATTRIBUTABLE TO ENSCO	\$343.5		\$204.5	
EARNINGS PER SHARE				
Basic	\$1.48		\$0.89	
Diluted	\$1.48		\$0.88	
NET INCOME ATTRIBUTABLE TO ENSCO SHARES				
Basic	\$339.9		\$202.2	
Diluted	\$339.9		\$202.2	
WEIGHTED-AVERAGE SHARES OUTSTANDING				
Basic	229.6		228.1	
Diluted	229.9		228.6	
CASH DIVIDENDS PER SHARE	\$.375		\$.35	

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these condensed consolidated financial statements.

ENSCO PLC AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (In millions, except per share amounts) (Unaudited)

	Nine Months Ended		
	September 30,		
	2012	2011	
OPERATING REVENUES	\$3,222.0	\$1,841.3	
OPERATING EXPENSES			
Contract drilling (exclusive of depreciation)	1,533.0	955.4	