TRANSALTA CORP Form 6-K March 02, 2012

FORM 6-K SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

Report of Foreign Private Issuer

Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the month of March 2012

TRANSALTA CORPORATION

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

110-12th Avenue S.W., Box 1900, Station "M", Calgary, Alberta, T2P 2M1 (Address of principal executive offices)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant f	files or will file annual reports under cover Form 20-F or Form 40-F.
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•	by furnishing the information contained in this Form is also thereby pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.
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The document listed below as Exhibit 99.1 to this Form 6-K is a copy of the news release of March 2, 2012. This news release is being furnished, not filed, and will not be incorporated by reference into any registration statement filed by TransAlta Corporation under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended:

99.1 <u>Press release dated March 2, 2012 announcing "TransAlta announces seven percent increase in comparable earnings per share in 2011; files year end disclosure documents."</u>

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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, thereunto duly authorized.

TransAlta Corporation

By: /s/ Maryse St.-Laurent

Maryse St.-Laurent

Vice-President and Corporate

Secretary

Date: March 2, 2012

EXHIBIT INDEX

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