| Noble Corp plc Form 4 | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| (Print or Type Response | es) | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Noble Corp plc [NE] | | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) | | | | |
| (Last) (Fi | irst) (Middle |) 3. Date | e of Earliest | Transaction | 1 | | (Chec | ck an applicable | c) | | |
| | | | (Month/Day/Year) 02/04/2014 | | | | _X_ Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) Chairman, President , and CEO | | | | |
| (Street) | | | 4. If Amendment, Date Original | | | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check | | | | |
| Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_Form filed by O LONDON, X0 W1J8AJ Form filed by M Person | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (City) (St | ate) (Zip) | Ta | able I - Non | -Derivativ | e Secu | rities Ac | quired, Disposed o | f, or Beneficia | lly Owned | | |
| | .Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed ecurity (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if | | Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | | Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | | | | |
| Shares 02/04/2 | 2014 | | Code V A | Amount 21,215 | (D) A | Price \$ 0 | (Instr. 3 and 4) 378,985 | D | | | |
| Shares 02/04/2 | 2014 | | F | 8,703 | D | \$ 31.03 | 370,282 | D | | | |

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)

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| 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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of iorDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | | ve Expiration Date es (Month/Day/Year) d (A) osed of | | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | | 8. Pric Deriva Securi (Instr. |
|---|---|---|---|--|---|------|---|--------------------|--|-------------------------------------|--|
| | | | | Code V | (A) (| (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | |
| Restricted Stock Units | \$ 0 <u>(1)</u> | 02/04/2014 | | D | 21 | ,215 | (2) | (2) | Shares | 21,215 | \$ |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|-------------------------------|-------|--|--|--|
| 1 | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | |
| WILLIAMS DAVID W DEVONSHIRE HOUSE 1 MAYFAIR PLACE LONDON, X0 W1J8AJ | Х | | Chairman, President , and CEO | | | | |
| Signatures | | | | | | | |
| /s/ Julie J. Robertson By Power of Attorney date 2011 | 02/06/2014 | | | | | | |
| **Signature of Reporting Person | | Date | | | | | |
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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) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share.
- (2) The restricted stock units vest and settle in three equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date.

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