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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and Ad WILLIAMS | * | rting Person * | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Noble Corp plc [NE] | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) | | |
|-------------------------------------|----------|----------------|--|--|--|--|
| (Last) | (First) | (Middle) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction | | | |
| DEVONSHIRE HOUSE 1 MAYFAIR PLACE | | 1 | (Month/Day/Year) 02/03/2014 | _X_ Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chairman, President , and CEO | | |
| | (Street) | | 4. If Amendment, Date Original | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check | | |
| LONDON, X0 W1J8AJ | | | Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Pe Form filed by More than One Re Person | | | |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acc | quired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned | | |

| (City) | (State) | (Zip) Ta | able I - Nor | 1-Derivativ | e Seci | urities Acq | uired, Disposed o | f, or Beneficial | ly Owned |
|------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------|-------------|--------|-------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1.Title of Security | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if | 3. Transactio | 4. Securit | | quired (A) | 5. Amount of Securities | 6. Ownership Form: Direct | 7. Nature of Indirect |
| (Instr. 3) | (Monus Buy, 1 cur) | any | Code | (Instr. 3, | | ` ′ | Beneficially | (D) or | Beneficial |
| | | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | | | | Owned | Indirect (I) | Ownership |
| | | | | | | | Following | (Instr. 4) | (Instr. 4) |
| | | | | | (A) | | Reported | | |
| | | | | | or | | Transaction(s) | | |
| | | | Code V | Amount | (D) | Price | (Instr. 3 and 4) | | |
| Shares | 02/03/2014 | | A | 21,730 | A | \$ 0 | 366,684 | D | |
| | | | | | | \$ | | | |
| Shares | 02/03/2014 | | F | 8,914 | D | φ 30 695 | 357,770 | 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. Transact Code (Instr. 8) | or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, | 6. Date Exer Expiration D (Month/Day) | ate | 7. Title ar of Underl Securities (Instr. 3 a | ying | 8. Prio Deriv Secur (Instr. |
|---|---|---|---|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---|--------------------|---|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| | | | | Code V | and 5) V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | |
| Restricted Stock Units | \$ 0 (1) | 02/03/2014 | | D | 21,730 | (2) | (2) | Shares | 21,730 | \$ |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|-------------------------------|-------|--|--|--|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | |
| WILLIAMS DAVID W DEVONSHIRE HOUSE 1 MAYFAIR PLACE LONDON, X0 W1J8AJ | X | | Chairman, President , and CEO | | | | |
| Signatures | | | | | | | |

Signatures

/s/ Julie J. Robertson By Power of Attorney dated August 1, 2011

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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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