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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

Form 6-K

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16 UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the month of May 2012

Commission File Number 001-16429

ABB Ltd

(Translation of registrant s name into English)

P.O. Box 1831, Affolternstrasse 44, CH-8050, Zurich, Switzerland

(Address of principal executive office)

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The following exhibits to this report on Form 6-K are hereby incorporated by reference into the Registration Statements on Form F-3 of ABB Ltd and ABB Finance (USA) Inc. (*File Nos.* 333-180922 and 333-180922-01):

Exhibit Document

5.1 Opinion of Kirkland & Ellis LLP.

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SIGNATURES

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.

ABB LTD

Date: May 8, 2012 By: /s/ Michel Demaré
Name: Michel Demaré

Title: Executive Vice President and

Chief Financial Officer

By: /s/ Richard A. Brown
Name: Richard A. Brown

Title: Group Senior Vice President and

Chief Counsel Corporate & Finance