

IVANHOE ENERGY INC  
Form 8-K  
March 20, 2013

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UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): March 20, 2013

IVANHOE ENERGY INC.  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Yukon, Canada  
(State or Other  
Jurisdiction  
of Incorporation)

000-30586  
(Commission File  
Number)

98-0372413  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification Number)

Suite 654 – 999 Canada Place  
Vancouver, BC, Canada  
(Address of Principal Executive Office)

V6C 3E1  
(Zip Code)

(604) 688-8323  
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable  
(Former Name or Former Address, If Changed Since Last Report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14A-12)
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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ITEM 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

On March 20, 2013 Ivanhoe Energy Inc. (the “Company”) issued a press release announcing that the Company and SBM Offshore (SBM) have formed a global strategic alliance (Alliance), combining their respective expertise to create Floating, Production, Upgrading, Storage and Offloading vessels (FPUSO’s). A copy of this press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this report.

The information furnished pursuant to Item 7.01 of this report, including Exhibit 99.1, shall not be deemed “filed” for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “Exchange Act”) or incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

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ITEM 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

| EXHIBIT NO. | DESCRIPTION                        |
|-------------|------------------------------------|
| 99.1        | Press Release dated March 20, 2013 |

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report on Form 8-K to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

Dated: March 20, 2013

IVANHOE ENERGY INC.

By: /s/ Mary Vincelli  
Name: Mary Vincelli  
Title: Corporate Secretary

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