

Wolford Bernie G.
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Wolford Bernie G.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
Noble Corp / Switzerland [NE]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
02/03/2012

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)

SVP Operations

DORFSTRASSE 19A

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

6340 BAAR, SWITZERLAND

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
Shares	02/04/2012		A	V A	Amount 1,060 Price \$ 0 3,538	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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options	\$ 36.815	02/03/2012		A	16,372	<u>(1)</u>	02/03/2022	Shares	16,372
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0 <u>(2)</u>	02/03/2012		A	11,952	<u>(3)</u>	<u>(3)</u>	Shares	11,952
Performance Vested Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0 <u>(4)</u>	02/03/2012		A	25,092	<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Shares	25,092
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0 <u>(2)</u>	02/04/2012		D	1,060	<u>(3)</u>	<u>(3)</u>	Shares	1,060

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
Wolford Bernie G. DORFSTRASSE 19A 6340 BAAR, SWITZERLAND	SVP Operations

Signatures

/s/ Julie J. Robertson By Power of Attorney Dated January 31, 2012 02/07/2012

**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) Represents option to purchase 16,372 shares at \$36.815 with a vesting schedule of 5,457 shares on February 3, 2013; 5,457 shares on February 3, 2014; and 5,458 shares on February 3, 2015
- (2) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share
- (3) The restricted stock units vest and settle in three equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date
- (4) Units vest upon the company achieving a total shareholder return over a three-year performance cycle (2012-2014) relative to a specified peer group

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