

NOBLE ENERGY INC
Form 8-K
August 31, 2015

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): August 27, 2015

NOBLE ENERGY, INC.
(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)	001-07964 Commission File Number	73-0785597 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)
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1001 Noble Energy Way Houston Texas (Address of principal executive offices)	77070 (Zip Code)
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Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (281) 872-3100
(Former name, former address and former fiscal year, if changed since last report)

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 - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Item 1.01. Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

On August 27, 2015, Noble Energy, Inc. and NBL International Finance B.V. (collectively, the "Company") entered into a Second Amendment to Credit Agreement (the "Second Amendment"), with JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as administrative agent, Citibank N.A., as syndication agent, and Bank of America, N.A., Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi UFJ, Ltd., Mizuho Bank, Ltd. and DNB Bank ASA, New York Branch, as documentation agents, and the other commercial lending institutions party thereto. The Second Amendment amends certain provisions of the Credit Agreement dated October 14, 2011 (as increased by the Commitment Increase Agreements each dated as of September 28, 2012, and as amended by the First Amendment to Credit Agreement, dated as of October 3, 2013, the "Credit Agreement").

The Second Amendment amends the Credit Agreement to, among other things, extend the maturity date of the Credit Agreement from October 3, 2018 to August 27, 2020, reallocate commitment amounts among certain of the participating lending institutions, and improve the pricing grid.

Certain lenders that are a party to the Second Amendment have in the past performed, and may in the future from time to time perform, investment banking, financial advisory, lending or commercial banking services for the Company and its subsidiaries, for which they have received, and may in the future receive, customary compensation and reimbursement of expenses.

The foregoing description of the material terms and conditions of the Second Amendment does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of the Second Amendment, which is filed as Exhibit 10.1 hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

Item 2.03. Creation of a Direct Financial Obligation.

The information included or incorporated by reference in Item 1.01 of this Current Report on Form 8-K (this "Report") is hereby incorporated by reference into this Item 2.03 of this Report.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits. The following exhibit is filed as part of this current report on Form 8-K:

- 10.1 Second Amendment to Credit Agreement, dated August 27, 2015, by and among Noble Energy, Inc., NBL International Finance B.V., JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as administrative agent, Citibank N.A., as syndication agent, and Bank of America, N.A., Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi UFJ, Ltd., Mizuho Bank, Ltd. and DNB Bank ASA, New York Branch, as documentation agents, and the other commercial lending institutions party thereto.

SIGNATURE

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

NOBLE ENERGY, INC.

Date: August 31, 2015

By: /s/ Kenneth M. Fisher
Kenneth M. Fisher
Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer

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