

NOBLE ENERGY INC
Form 8-K
January 12, 2009

**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): January 12, 2009

NOBLE ENERGY, INC.

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

001-07964

73-0785597

(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

Commission
File Number

(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

**100 Glenborough, Suite 100
Houston, Texas**

77067

(Address of principal executive
offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(281) 872-3100**

(Former name, former address and former fiscal year, 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 (17 CFR 230.425)
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 - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
 - 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 January 12, 2009, the Delek Group, an affiliate of Delek Drilling, which is one of Noble Energy, Inc.'s partners in the Tamar 1 prospect in offshore northern Israel, issued a press release regarding drilling status at that prospect. The press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

The information contained in this Item 7.01 and Exhibit 99.1 shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to liabilities of that Section.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

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

99.1 Delek Group Press Release dated January 12, 2009.

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: January 12, 2009

By: /s/ Arnold J. Johnson
Arnold J. Johnson
Senior Vice President, General Counsel &
Secretary

INDEX TO EXHIBITS

Exhibit No.	Description
99.1	Delek Group Press Release dated January 12, 2009.