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Registration No. 333-165403

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549
Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to
FORM S-3
REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933
NOBLE CORPORATION
NOBLE HOLDING INTERNATIONAL LIMITED
(Exact name of each registrant as specified in its charter)**

**NOBLE CORPORATION
CAYMAN ISLANDS**
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

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98-0366361
(I.R.S. employer identification no.)

98-0477694
(I.R.S. employer identification no.)

Suite 3D, Landmark Square
64 Earth Close
Georgetown, Grand Cayman
Cayman Islands, BWI
(345) 938-0293
(Address, including zip code, and telephone
number, including area code, of registrant's
principal executive offices)

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(345) 938-0293
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Alan R. Hay
Noble Corporation
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Cayman Islands, BWI
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number,
including area code, of agent for service)

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One Shell Plaza
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Approximate date of commencement of proposed sale to the public: From time to time after this Registration Statement becomes effective.

If the only securities being registered on this Form are to be offered pursuant to dividend or interest reinvestment plans, please check the following box.

If any of the securities being registered on this Form are to be offered on a delayed or continuous basis pursuant to Rule 415 under the Securities Act of 1933, other than securities offered only in connection with dividend or interest reinvestment plans, check the following box.

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If this Form is filed to register additional securities for an offering pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act, please check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering.

If this Form is a post-effective amendment filed pursuant to Rule 462(c) under the Securities Act, check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering.

If this Form is a registration statement pursuant to General Instruction I.D. or a post-effective amendment thereto that shall become effective upon filing with the Commission pursuant to Rule 462(e) under the Securities Act, check the following box.

If this Form is a post-effective amendment to a registration statement filed pursuant to General Instruction I.D. filed to register additional securities or additional classes of securities pursuant to Rule 413(b) under the Securities Act, check the following box.

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of large accelerated filer, accelerated filer and smaller reporting company in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):

Large accelerated filer

Accelerated filer

Non-accelerated filer
(Do not check if a smaller
reporting company)

Smaller reporting
company

This Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to Form S-3 shall become effective in accordance with Section 8(c) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, on such date as the Commission, acting pursuant to said Section 8(c), may determine.

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REMOVAL OF SECURITIES FROM REGISTRATION

Noble Corporation, a Cayman Islands company, and Noble Holding International Limited filed a Registration Statement on Form S-3 (Nos. 333-165403 and 333-165403-01) to register debt securities and guarantees of debt securities with a proposed maximum aggregate offering price of up to \$1,500,000,000 (as amended, the Registration Statement). The Registration Statement was declared effective by the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 24, 2010. Under the Registration Statement, Noble Holding International Limited issued and sold \$1,250,000,000 aggregate principal amount of senior notes, guaranteed by Noble Corporation, on July 26, 2010. This Amendment No. 1 to the Registration Statement is being filed to deregister all remaining unsold securities under the Registration Statement.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the U.S. Securities Act of 1933, as amended, Noble Corporation certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-3 and has duly caused this Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands, on the 8th day of February, 2011.

NOBLE CORPORATION

By: /s/ Dennis J. Lubojacky
Name: Dennis J. Lubojacky
Title: *Vice President and Chief Financial Officer*

Pursuant to the requirements of the U.S. Securities Act of 1933, as amended, this Registration Statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities indicated on the 8th day of February, 2011.

| Signature | Title |
|------------------------------|--|
| * | President and Chief Executive Officer and Director <i>(Principal Executive Officer)</i> |
| David W. Williams | |
| /s/ Dennis J. Lubojacky | Vice President and Chief Financial Officer and Director |
| Dennis J. Lubojacky | <i>(Principal Financial and Accounting Officer and Authorized Representative in the United States)</i> |
| * | |
| Alan P. Duncan | Director |
| * | |
| Andrew J. Strong | Director |
| *By: /s/ Dennis J. Lubojacky | |
| Dennis J. Lubojacky | Attorney-in-fact |

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NOBLE HOLDING INTERNATIONAL
LIMITED

By: /s/ Alan R. Hay
Name: Alan R. Hay
Title: *Director*

Pursuant to the requirements of the U.S. Securities Act of 1933, as amended, this Registration Statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities indicated on the 8th day of February, 2011.

| Signature | Title |
|----------------------|--|
| /s/ Alan R. Hay | Director |
| Alan R. Hay | <i>(Principal Executive Officer, Principal Financial Officer, Principal Accounting Officer and Authorized Representative in the United States)</i> |
| /s/ Andrew J. Strong | |
| Andrew J. Strong | Director |
| /s/ Alan P. Duncan | |
| Alan P. Duncan | Director |