

NOBLE ENERGY INC
Form 8-K
December 10, 2008

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): December 10, 2008

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.)

100 Glenborough, Suite 100
Houston, Texas
(Address of principal executive offices)

77067
(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)

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 - 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 8.01 Other Events.

Attached as Exhibit 100 to this Current Report on Form 8-K are the following materials from the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended September 30, 2008, of Noble Energy, Inc., filed on October 29, 2008, formatted in XBRL (eXtensible Business Reporting Language): (i) the Consolidated Statements of Operations, (ii) the Consolidated Balance Sheets, (iii) the Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows, (iv) the Consolidated Statements of Shareholders' Equity, and (v) certain notes to these financial statements tagged as blocks of text. These XBRL-formatted documents are not readable in HyperText Markup Language (HTML). Users of this data are advised pursuant to Rule 401 of Regulation S-T that the financial information contained in the XBRL documents is unaudited and these are not the official publicly filed financial statements of Noble Energy, Inc. The purpose of submitting these XBRL formatted documents is to test the related format and technology and, as a result, investors should continue to rely on the official filed version of the furnished documents and not rely on this information in making investment decisions.

In accordance with Rule 402 of Regulation S-T, the information in this Current Report on Form 8-K, including Exhibit 100, shall not be deemed to be "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), or otherwise subject to the liability of that section, and shall not be incorporated by reference into any registration statement or other document filed 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.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

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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: December 10, 2008

By: /s/Chris Tong
Chris Tong
Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit Number	Description
Exhibit 100.INS	XBRL Instance Document
Exhibit 100.SCH	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema Document
Exhibit 100.CAL	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase Document
Exhibit 100.LAB	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase Document
Exhibit 100.PRE	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase Document

