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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Wolford Bernie G. Issuer Symbol Noble Corp plc [NE] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Last) (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify 13135 S. DAIRY 02/02/2018 below) ASHFORD, SUITE 800 Sr. VP-Operations (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting SUGAR LAND, TX 77478 Person

(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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired tion(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			
Shares	02/02/2018		A	38,906	A	\$ 0	251,641	D		
Shares	02/02/2018		F	9,474	D	\$ 4.66	242,167	D		
Shares	02/03/2018		A	37,585	A	\$0	279,752	D		
Shares	02/03/2018		F	9,152	D	\$ 4.66	270,600	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)

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. Transact Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of tiorDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or) Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amou of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
	,			Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amour Numbe Shares
Performance Vested Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0	02/02/2018		D	()	97,266	<u>(1)</u>	(1)	Shares	97,20
Performance Vested Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0	02/02/2018		A	343,348		<u>(2)</u>	(2)	Shares	343,3
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0	02/02/2018		A	171,674		<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Shares	171,6
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0	02/03/2018		D		37,585 (5)	<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Shares	37,5

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
1 8	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Wolford Bernie G. 13135 S. DAIRY ASHFORD SUITE 800 SUGAR LAND, TX 77478			Sr. VP-Operations				

Signatures

/s/ William E. Turcotte by Power of Attorney dated January 31,
2018 02/06/2018

**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).

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Represents performance based restricted share units awarded on January 29, 2015 relating to a three-year performance cycle(2015-2017). Based on performance at the end of the performance cycle, 38,906 shares underlying this award vested and 58,360 shares underlying this award were forfeited.

- Each performance vested restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share. Performance vested restricted stock units (2) vest upon the company achieving total shareholder return and contract drilling margin goals over a three year performance cycle (2018-2020) relative to a specified peer group.
- (3) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share.
- (4) The restricted stock units vest and settle in three equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date.
- (5) Represents the first of three vesting events for restricted stock units awarded on February 3, 2017.

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