# 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): September 10, 2012

## TRANSOCEAN LTD.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

Switzerland

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

**000-53533** (Commission File Number) **98-0599916** (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

10 Chemin de Blandonnet 1214 Vernier, Geneva Switzerland

(Address of principal executive offices)

CH-1214 (zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: +41 (22) 930-9000

(Former name or former address, 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))

#### Item 8.01 Other Events

For purposes of Transocean Ltd.'s (the "Company's") Registration Statement on Form S-3 (Registration No. 333-169401) (the "Registration Statement"), the Company's computation of the Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges for the six month period ended June 30, 2012, and the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010, 2009, 2008 and 2007, is filed herewith as Exhibit 12.1 and is incorporated by reference into this Current Report on Form 8-K and the Registration Statement.

## Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No. 12.1

Description

Computation of the Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges for the six month period ended June 30, 2012, and the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010, 2009, 2008 and 2007.

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### SIGNATURES

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

TRANSOCEAN LTD.

By: <u>/s/ Ryan Tarkington</u> Ryan Tarkington Authorized Person

### Transocean Ltd. and Subsidiaries Computation of Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges (In millions, except ratio amounts)

	Historical												
	Six months ended June 30, 2012			2011		Yea 2010		ars ended December 3		31, 2008		2007	
Earnings:													
Income (loss) from continuing operations before income tax expense	\$	(303)	\$	(5,434)	\$	1,290	\$	3,919	\$	4,711	\$	3,342	
Less:													
Capitalized interest		25		39		89		182		147		77	
Equity in earnings (losses) of unconsolidated affiliates				18		8		6		2		(2)	
Noncontrolling interest in pre-tax income of subsidiaries that have not incurred fixed						_		_		_		(-)	
charges Add:		—						_		_		_	
Fixed charges (see below)		416		719		690		701		818		277	
Amortization of capitalized interest		12		23		22		15		12		12	
Distribution of earnings in unconsolidated								10					
affiliates		—		—		_		—		—		—	
Earnings, as adjusted	\$	100	\$	(4,749)	\$	1,905	\$	4,447	\$	5,392	\$	3,556	
Fixed Charges:													
Rent expense		81		169		98		99		89		51	
Estimated interest portion of rent expense		28		59		34		35		31		18	
Interest expense, net of capitalized interest and including amortization of debt issue cost		20						55		51		10	
and debt discount or premium (a)		363		621		567		484		640		182	
Capitalized interest		25		39		89		182		147		77	
Total fixed charges	\$	416	\$	719	\$	690	\$	701	\$	818	\$	277	
Ratio of earnings to fixed charges (b)		(C	)	(d	)	2.76		6.34		6.59		12.84	

(a) Interest expense excludes interest on unrecognized tax benefits related to uncertain tax positions, as such amounts are recognized in income tax expense and are immaterial.

- (b) The ratio of earnings to fixed charges is calculated by dividing earnings by fixed charges. For this purpose, "earnings" is the amount resulting from adding (a) income from continuing operations before income tax expense, (b) fixed charges, (c) amortization of capitalized interest, and (d) distributed earnings of unconsolidated affiliates; and then subtracting (a) capitalized interest, (b) equity in earnings or losses of unconsolidated affiliates, and (c) the noncontrolling interest in pre-tax income of subsidiaries that have not incurred fixed charges. "Fixed charges" is the amount resulting from adding (a) interest expense, (b) amortization of debt discount or premium, (c) capitalized interest and (d) an estimate of the interest component of rent expense.
- (c) Total fixed charges exceed adjusted earnings available for payment of fixed charges by \$316 million. Adjusted earnings available for payment of fixed charges include a \$210 million loss on impairment of goodwill and other intangible assets and a \$750 million loss in connection with contingencies that we believe are probable and for which reasonable estimate can be made.
- (d) Total fixed charges exceed adjusted earnings available for payment of fixed charges by \$5.5 billion. Adjusted earnings available for payment of fixed charges include a \$5.2 billion loss on impairment of goodwill and a \$1.0 billion loss in connection with contingencies that we believe are probable and for which reasonable estimate can be made.