LONDON, July 17, 2017 /PRNewswire/ -- Noble Corporation plc (NYSE: NE) today announced that Robert W. Eifler has been named Vice President and General Manager & Marketing and Contracts, effective July 17, 2017. In his new role, Eifler will be responsible for Noble's worldwide marketing and contracts efforts, based in the Company's operations headquarters in Sugar Land, Texas. Eifler joined Noble in February 2005 as part of the Company's management development program and has held numerous operational and marketing roles with increasing responsibility around the world since that time. Most recently he has led the Company's marketing and contracts efforts for the Eastern Hemisphere while based in London.

"We are delighted to have Robert take on this new challenge. Throughout his career he has demonstrated great leadership and has developed a deep understanding of our industry while building a strong foundation in business fundamentals," said David W. Williams, Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer of Noble Corporation plc "Robert's background and work ethic will fit well with our senior management team and we look forward to supporting him in this new role."

Eifler holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Systems and Information Engineering from the University of Virginia and an MBA from the Acton School of Business.

Simon W. Johnson, who previously managed Noble's marketing and contracts efforts, has left the Company to pursue other interests.

About Noble Corporation plc

Noble is a leading offshore drilling contractor for the oil and gas industry. The Company owns and operates one of the most modern, versatile and technically advanced fleets in the offshore drilling industry. Noble performs, through its subsidiaries, contract drilling services with a fleet of 28 offshore drilling units, consisting of 14 drillships and semisubmersibles and 14 jackups, focused largely on ultra-deepwater and high-specification jackup drilling opportunities in both established and emerging regions worldwide. Noble is a public limited company registered in England and Wales with company number 08354954 and registered office at Devonshire House, 1 Mayfair Place, London, W1J 8AJ England. Additional information on Noble is available at www.noblecorp.com.

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