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Registration No. 333-156705

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

Post-Effective Amendment No. 2 to FORM S-3

REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

Ensco plc

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

England and Wales

98-0635229

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

(I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

6 Chesterfield Gardens London England W1J 5BQ +44 (0) 20 7659 4660

(Address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of registrant s principal executive offices)

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Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary

Ensco plc

500 North Akard Street

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Dallas, Texas 75201-3331

+1 (214) 397-3000

(Name, address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of agent for service)

With a copy to:

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Baker & McKenzie LLP

2001 Ross Avenue,

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Dallas, Texas 75201

+1 (214) 978-3047

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 being offered pursuant to dividend or interest reinvestment plans, please check the following box. o

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. b

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. o

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. b

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. o

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 definition of accelerated filer, large accelerated filer and smaller reporting company in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act (Check One):

Large accelerated filer b Accelerated filer o Non-accelerated filer o Smaller reporting company o (Do not check if smaller reporting company)

EXPLANATORY NOTE

The purpose of this Post-Effective Amendment No. 2 to Registration Statement on Form S-3 (File No. 333-156705) is to file certain exhibits to the registration statement.

PART II INFORMATION NOT REQUIRED IN PROSPECTUS

ITEM 16. Exhibits.

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- *1.1 Form of Underwriting Agreement.
- **1.2 Underwriting Agreement dated March 8, 2011, by and among Ensco plc, Citigroup Global Markets Inc., Deutsche Bank Securities Inc. and Wells Fargo Securities, LLC (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 1.1 to the Current Report on Form 8-K filed by Ensco plc on March 16, 2011).
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- **4.2 Certificate of Incorporation on Change of Name (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Registrant s Current Report on Form 8-K filed on April 1, 2010, File No. 1-8097).
- **4.3 Deposit Agreement, dated as of September 29, 2009, by and among ENSCO International Limited (now known as Ensco plc), Citibank, N.A., as Depositary, and the holders and beneficial owners of American Depositary Shares issued thereunder (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to the Registration Statement on Form S-4 (File No. 333-162975) filed by Ensco International plc on November 9, 2009).
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 - *4.14 Form of Subordinated Debt Securities.
 - *4.15 Form of Certificate of Designations of Preference Shares.
- *4.16 Form of Deposit Agreement.
- *4.17 Form of Depositary Agreement.
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- 4.25 Form of Global Note for 4.700% Senior Notes due 2021 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit B of Exhibit 4.23 hereof).
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- **5.2 Legal Opinion of Baker & McKenzie LLP, U.S.
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- ** Filed previously.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the Registrant 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 the City of London, England, United Kingdom, on the 16th day of March, 2011.

ENSCO PLC

By: /s/ James W. Swent III
James W. Swent III
Senior Vice President and Chief Financial
Officer

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this Post-Effective Amendment No. 2 to Registration Statement on Form S-3 (File No. 333-156705) has been signed by the following persons in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

Signature *	Title Chairman, President and Chief	Date
Daniel W. Rabun	Executive Officer	March 16, 2011
/s/ James W. Swent III	Senior Vice President Chief	
James W. Swent III	Financial Officer	March 16, 2011
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David A. Armour	Vice President Finance	March 16, 2011
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Douglas J. Manko	Controller and Assistant Secretary	March 16, 2011
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J. Roderick Clark	Director	March 16, 2011
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C. Christopher Gaut	Director	March 16, 2011
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Gerald W. Haddock	Director	March 16, 2011
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Thomas L. Kelly II	Director	March 16, 2011
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Keith O. Rattie	Director	March 16, 2011
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Rita M. Rodriguez	Director	March 16, 2011
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Paul E. Rowsey	Director	March 16, 2011

/s/ Cary A. Moomjian, Jr.

Company Secretary and Authorized Representative in the United States

March 16, 2011

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