

ABB LTD
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**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

Form 6-K

**REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16
UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

For the month of November 2012

Commission File Number 001-16429

ABB Ltd

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

P.O. Box 1831, Affolternstrasse 44, CH-8050, Zurich, Switzerland

(Address of principal executive office)

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Yes ☐

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This Form 6-K consists of the following:

1. Press release issued by ABB Ltd dated November 15, 2012.

Press Release

ABB appoints Eric Elzvik as CFO

Current CFO of Discrete Automation and Motion division to take up new role on Feb. 1, 2013

Zurich, Switzerland, Nov. 15, 2012 ABB has appointed Eric Elzvik, the chief financial officer of its Discrete Automation and Motion division, as Group CFO and member of the Executive Committee, succeeding Michel Demarè, who will focus on his board roles, as previously announced. Elzvik will take up his new role on Feb. 1, 2013.

Eric is a familiar figure to bankers and the financial community, and his presence guarantees continuity in terms of financial strategy and governance, said Chief Executive Officer Joe Hogan.

Elzvik, 52, joined ABB in 1984 and has held a variety of leadership roles in Sweden, Singapore and Switzerland, including head of Corporate Development, and head of Mergers and Acquisitions and Joint Ventures.

He was named CFO of the Automation Products division in 2006, and in 2010 became CFO for the Discrete Automation and Motion division. A successor for this position will be announced in due course.

I m very pleased that ABB has been able to fill this role from a strong bench of internal candidates, Demarè said.

Elzvik has dual Swiss-Swedish citizenship and has a degree in Business Administration and International Finance from the Stockholm School of Economics.

ABB (www.abb.com) is a leader in power and automation technologies that enable utility and industry customers to improve their performance while lowering environmental impact. The ABB Group of companies operates in around 100 countries and employs about 145,000 people.

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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, thereunto duly authorized.

ABB LTD

Date: November 15, 2012

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