INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS MACHINES CORP Form SC 13G February 14, 2012

# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, DC 20549

# **SCHEDULE 13G**

(Rule 13d-102)

INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN STATEMENTS FILED PURSUANT TO RULES 13d-1(b), (c) AND (d) AND AMENDMENTS THERETO FILED PURSUANT TO RULE 13d-2(b)

(Amendment No. \_\_)\*

# **International Business Machines Corporation**(Name of Issuer)

COMMON STOCK (Title of Class of Securities)

459200101 (CUSIP Number)

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# December 31, 2011 (Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)

Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed:		
x Rule 13d-1 (b)		
" Rule 13d-1 (c)		

" Rule 13d-1 (d)

<sup>\*</sup> The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person s initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required on the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be filed for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the Act ) or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes.)

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- 1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSONS
  - Warren E. Buffett
- 2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP\*
  - (a) x (b) "
- 3 SEC USE ONLY
- 4 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

**United States Citizen** 

5 SOLE VOTING POWER

NUMBER OF

**NONE** 

SHARES 6 SHARED VOTING POWER

**BENEFICIALLY** 

OWNED BY

63,905,931

**EACH** 

7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

REPORTING

PERSON

NONE

8 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

WITH

63,905,931

9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

63,905,931

10 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES\*

Not Applicable.
PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW 9 11

5.51%

12 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON\*

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CUSIP No. 459200101 Page 3 of 7 Pages 1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSONS Berkshire Hathaway Inc. CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP\* 2 (a) x (b) " 3 SEC USE ONLY 4 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION State of Delaware 5 SOLE VOTING POWER NUMBER OF **NONE SHARES** 6 SHARED VOTING POWER **BENEFICIALLY** OWNED BY 63,905,931 7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER **EACH** REPORTING **NONE PERSON** 8 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER WITH 63,905,931 9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES\*

63,905,931

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Not applicable.
PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW 9 11

5.51%

12 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON\*

HC, CO

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CUSIP No. 459200101 Page 4 of 7 Pages 1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSONS National Indemnity Company CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP\* 2 (a) x (b) " 3 SEC USE ONLY 4 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION State of Nebraska 5 SOLE VOTING POWER NUMBER OF **NONE SHARES** 6 SHARED VOTING POWER **BENEFICIALLY** OWNED BY 63,905,931 7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER **EACH** REPORTING **NONE PERSON** 8 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER WITH 63,905,931 9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES\*

63,905,931

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Not applicable.
PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW 9 11

5.51%

12 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON\*

IC, CO

#### **SCHEDULE 13G**

Item 1.

#### (a) Name of Issuer:

International Business Machines Corporation

#### (b) Address of Issuer s Principal Executive Offices:

1 New Orchard Road, Armonk, NY 10504

Item 2(a). Name of Person Filing:

Item 2(b). Address of Principal Business Office:

Item 2(c). Citizenship:

Warren E. Buffett

3555 Farnam Street

Omaha, Nebraska 68131

United States Citizen

Berkshire Hathaway Inc.

3555 Farnam Street

Omaha, Nebraska 68131

Delaware corporation

National Indemnity Company

3024 Harney Street

Omaha, Nebraska 68131

Nebraska corporation

#### (d) Title of Class of Securities:

Common Stock

## (e) CUSIP Number:

459200101

### Item 3. If this statement is filed pursuant to §§240.13d-1(b) or 240.13d-2(b) or (c), check whether the person filing is a:

Warren E. Buffett (an individual who may be deemed to control Berkshire Hathaway Inc.) and Berkshire Hathaway Inc. are each a Parent Holding Company or Control Person, in accordance with §240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(G).

National Indemnity Company is an Insurance Company as defined in section 3(a)(19) of the Act.

The Reporting Persons together are a Group in accordance with §240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(K).

Item 4. Ownership.	Page 6 of 7 Pages
Provide the following information regarding the aggregate number and percentage of the class of securities of the issuer identifi	ied in Item 1.
(a) Amount beneficially owned: See the Cover Pages for each of the Reporting Persons.	
(b) Percent of Class: See the Cover Pages for each of the Reporting Persons.	
(c) Number of shares as to which such person has:	
(i) sole power to vote or to direct the vote	
(ii) shared power to vote or to direct the vote	
(iii) sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of	
(iv) shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of See the Cover Pages for each of the Reporting Persons.	
Item 5. Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class.	
Not Applicable.	
Item 6. Ownership of More than Five Percent on Behalf of Another Person.	
Not Applicable.	
Item 7. Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary Which Acquired the Security Being Reported on By the Parer Company or Control Person.	nt Holding
See Exhibit A.	
Item 8. Identification and Classification of Members of the Group.	
See Exhibit A.	
Item 9. Notice of Dissolution of Group.	

Not Applicable.

### Item 10. Certification.

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were acquired and are held in the ordinary course of business and were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect

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#### **SIGNATURES**

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

February 14, 2012

February 14, 2012

Date

Date

/s/ Warren E. Buffett

/s/ Marc D. Hamburg

Signature

Signature

Warren E. Buffett

Marc D. Hamburg, Senior Vice President

Name

Name/Title

Berkshire Hathaway Inc.

February 14, 2012

Date

/s/ Mark Millard

Signature

Mark Millard, Assistant Secretary

Name/Title

National Indemnity Company

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#### EXHIBIT A

### RELEVANT SUBSIDIARIES AND MEMBERS OF FILING GROUP

PARENT HOLDING COMPANIES OR CONTROL PERSONS:

Warren E. Buffett (an individual who may be deemed to control Berkshire Hathaway Inc.)

Berkshire Hathaway Inc.

INSURANCE COMPANIES AS DEFINED IN SECTION 3(a)(19) OF THE ACT:

National Indemnity Company

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#### EXHIBIT B

#### JOINT FILING AGREEMENT PURSUANT TO RULE 13d-1(k)(1)

The undersigned persons agree and consent to the joint filing on their behalf of this Schedule 13G in connection with their beneficial ownership of the Common Stock of International Business Machines Corporation.

Dated: February 14, 2012 /S/ Warren E. Buffett

Warren E. Buffett

Berkshire Hathaway Inc.

Dated: February 14, 2012 /S/ Marc D. Hamburg

By: Marc D. Hamburg Title: Senior Vice President

National Indemnity Company

Dated: February 14, 2012 /S/ Mark Millard

By: Mark Millard

Title: Assistant Secretary