SEITEL INC Form 8-K July 31, 2012

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 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): July 27, 2012

SEITEL, INC.

(Exact name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Delaware

(State or Other Jurisdiction of

Incorporation)

10811 S. Westview Circle Drive

Building C, Suite 100

Houston, Texas 77043

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(713) 881-8900

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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- "Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

76-0025431

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

Amendment to Employment Agreement for Key Executive

On July 27, 2012, Seitel, Inc. ("Seitel") entered into the Third Amendment to Employment Agreement (the "Amendment") with Kevin P. Callaghan ("Executive"). The Amendment increased Executive's potential annual bonus target effective January 1, 2012 from 70% to 80% of his Base Salary and increased his maximum target bonus effective January 1, 2012 from 110% to 120% of his Base Salary.

The Compensation Committee of the Board had previously recommended and approved such increase to the Executive's annual bonus targets. The other terms and conditions of Executive's employment agreement with Seitel, as amended, remain in full force and effect.

The foregoing description of the Amendment does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to Exhibit 10.1, attached hereto and filed herewith.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

The following exhibits are furnished with this report.

Exhibit No. Description

Third Amendment to Employment Agreement between Kevin P. Callaghan and Seitel, Inc., dated

July 27, 2012

SIGNATURE

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

By: /s/ Robert D. Monson Robert D. Monson President and Chief Executive Officer

Date: July 31, 2012

EXHIBIT INDEX

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