KEY ENERGY SERVICES INC Form S-8 May 18, 2012

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM S-8 REGISTRATION STATEMENT

UNDER

THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

Key Energy Services, Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Maryland (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization) 04-2648081 (I.R.S. Employer

Identification No.)

1301 McKinney Street, Suite 1800, Houston, Texas (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

77010 (Zip Code)

2012 Equity and Cash Incentive Plan

(Full Title of the Plan)

Kimberly R. Frye

General Counsel

Key Energy Services, Inc.

1301 McKinney Street, Suite 1800

Houston, TX 77010

(Name and Address of Agent For Service)

713-651-4300

(Telephone Number, Including Area Code, of Agent For Service)

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

Large accelerated filer x

Accelerated filer "

Non-accelerated filer "

Smaller reporting company "

(Do not check if a smaller reporting company)

CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

	Proposed			
	Amount	Maximum	Proposed	
Title of Securities	to be	Offering Price	Maximum Aggregate	
to be Registered Common Stock, \$0.10 par value per share	Registered(1) 4,000,000 shares	Per Share(2) \$9.99	Offering Price(2) \$39,960,000	Amount of Registration Fee \$4,579.42

- (1) In accordance with Rule 416 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, this registration statement shall be deemed to cover any additional securities that may from time to time be offered or issued to prevent dilution resulting from stock splits, stock dividends or similar transactions.
- (2) Pursuant to Rule 457(c) and (h) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, the registration fee for the 4,000,000 shares available for grants under the 2012 Equity and Cash Incentive Plan is based upon a price of \$9.99 per share, the average of the high (\$10.30) and low (\$9.67) sale prices of the registrant s common stock as reported on New York Stock Exchange on May 17, 2012.

INTRODUCTORY STATEMENT

Key Energy Services, Inc. (the registrant or the Company) is filing this Registration Statement on Form S-8 relating to its common stock, par value \$0.10 per share (the Common Stock), issuable pursuant to the terms of the Key Energy Services, Inc. 2012 Equity and Cash Incentive Plan (the Plan).

PART I

INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE SECTION 10(a) PROSPECTUS

Note: The document(s) containing the information concerning the Plan required by Item 1 of Form S-8 and the statement of availability of registrant information, plan information and other information required by Item 2 of Form S-8 will be sent or given to employees as specified by Rule 428 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the Securities Act). In accordance with Rule 428 and the requirements of Part I of Form S-8, such documents are not being filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the Commission) either as part of this Registration Statement or as prospectuses or prospectus supplements pursuant to Rule 424 under the Securities Act. The Company will maintain a file of such documents in accordance with the provisions of Rule 428. Upon request, the Company will furnish to the Commission or its staff a copy of any or all of the documents included in such file.

PART II

INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT

Item 3. Incorporation of Documents by Reference.

The Company is subject to the informational and reporting requirements of Sections 13(a), 14, and 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act), and in accordance therewith files reports, proxy statements and other information with the Commission. The following documents, which are on file with the Commission (File No. 001-08038), are incorporated in this registration statement by reference:

- (a) the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2011;
- (b) the Company s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2012;
- (c) the Company s Current Reports on Form 8-K filed on January 20, 2012, February 17, 2012, February 27, 2012, March 6, 2012, March 9, 2012, March 26, 2012 and April 27, 2012 (in each case to the extent filed and not furnished); and
- (d) the description of the Common Stock contained in the Company s registration statement on Form 8-A filed under the Exchange Act, including any amendment or report filed for the purpose of updating such description.

All documents subsequently filed by the registrant pursuant to Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 and 15(d) of the Exchange Act (excluding information deemed to be furnished and not filed with the Commission), prior to the filing of a post-effective amendment which indicates that all securities offered hereby have been sold or which deregisters all securities then remaining unsold, shall be deemed to be incorporated by reference in this registration statement and to be part hereof from the date of the filing of such documents. Any statement contained in a document incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference herein

shall be deemed to be modified or superseded for the purposes of this registration statement to the extent that a statement contained herein or in any other subsequently filed document which also is or is deemed to be incorporated by reference herein modifies or supersedes such statement. Any statement so modified or superseded shall not be deemed, except as so modified or superseded, to constitute a part of this registration statement.

Item 4. Description of Securities.

Not applicable.

Item 5. Interests of Named Experts and Counsel.

Not applicable.

Item 6. Indemnification of Directors and Officers.

Section 2-418 of the Maryland General Corporation Law provides that a corporation may indemnify any director made a party to any proceeding against judgments, penalties, fines, settlements and reasonable expenses, unless it is established that (i) the act or omission of the director was material to the matter giving rise to the proceeding and was committed in bad faith or was a result of deliberate dishonesty, (ii) the director actually received an improper personal benefit or (iii) in a criminal proceeding, the director had reasonable cause to believe the act or omission was unlawful. A director may not be indemnified in any proceeding charging improper personal benefit if the director was adjudged to be liable on the basis that personal benefit was improperly received and, in a derivative action, there shall not be indemnification if a director has been adjudged liable to the corporation. Unless limited by a company s charter, a director or officer of a corporation who has been successful in the defense of any proceeding shall be indemnified against reasonable costs incurred in such defense. Indemnification may not be made unless authorized for a specific proceeding after determination by the board of directors, special legal counsel or the stockholders that indemnification is permissible because the director has met the requisite standard of conduct.

Article Seventh of the Company s Articles of Restatement (the Charter), provides that the Company shall indemnify (i) its directors and officers, whether serving the Company or at its request any other entity, to the full extent required or permitted by the Maryland law, including the advance of expenses under the procedures and to the full extent permitted by law and (ii) other employees and agents to such extent as shall be authorized by the Board of Directors or the Company s By-laws and be permitted by law. The foregoing rights of indemnification are not exclusive of any other rights to which those seeking indemnification may be entitled. The Board of Directors may take such action as is necessary to carry out these indemnification provisions and is expressly empowered to adopt, approve and amend from time to time such By-laws, resolutions or contracts implementing such provisions or such further indemnification arrangements as may be permitted by the Maryland law. Furthermore, no director or officer of the Company shall be personally liable to the Company or its stockholders for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duty as a director or an officer, except to the extent that exculpation from liability is not permitted under the Maryland law as in effect when such breach occurred. No amendment of the Charter or repeal of any of its provisions shall limit or eliminate the limitations on liability provided to directors and officers with respect to acts or omissions occurring prior to such amendment or repeal.

Item 7. Exemption from Registration Claimed.

Not applicable.

Item 8. Exhibits.

The Index to Exhibits immediately preceding the exhibits is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9. Undertakings.

- 1. <u>Item 512(a) of Regulation S-K</u>. The undersigned registrant hereby undertakes:
- (1) To file, during any period in which offers or sales are being made, a post-effective amendment to this registration statement:
- (i) To include any prospectus required by Section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act;
- (ii) To reflect in the prospectus any facts or events arising after the effective date of the registration statement (or the most recent post-effective amendment thereof) which, individually or in the aggregate, represent a fundamental change in the information set forth in the registration statement; and
- (iii) To include any material information with respect to the plan of distribution not previously disclosed in the registration statement or any material change to such information in the registration statement;

provided, however, that paragraphs (i) and (ii) do not apply if the information required to be included in a post-effective amendment by those paragraphs is contained in reports filed with or furnished to the Commission by the registrant pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act that are incorporated by reference in the registration statement.

- (2) That, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act, each such post-effective amendment shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial *bona fide* offering thereof.
- (3) To remove from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the securities being registered which remain unsold at the termination of the offering.
- 2. <u>Item 512(b) of Regulation S-K</u>. The undersigned registrant hereby undertakes that, for purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act, each filing of the registrant s annual report pursuant to Section 13(a) or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act that is incorporated by reference in the registration statement shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial *bona fide* offering thereof.
- 3. <u>Item 512(h) of Regulation S-K</u>. Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the registrant pursuant to the foregoing provisions, or otherwise, the registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the Commission such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer or controlling person of the registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, the registrant will, unless

in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

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-8 and has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Houston, State of Texas, on this 18th day of May, 2012.

Key Energy Services, Inc.

By: /s/ Richard J. Alario Richard J. Alario President and Chief Executive Officer

POWER OF ATTORNEY AND SIGNATURES

We, the undersigned officers and directors of Key Energy Services, Inc., hereby severally constitute and appoint Richard J. Alario and T.M. Whichard III, and each of them singly, our true and lawful attorneys with full power to them, and each of them singly, to sign for us and in our names in the capacities indicated below, the registration statement on Form S-8 filed herewith and any and all subsequent amendments to said registration statement, and generally to do all such things in our names and on our behalf in our capacities as officers and directors to enable Key Energy Services, Inc. to comply with the provisions of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and all requirements of the Securities and Exchange Commission, hereby ratifying and confirming our signatures as they may be signed by our said attorneys, or any of them, to said registration statement and any and all amendments thereto.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this registration statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

Signature	Title	Date
/s/ Richard J. Alario Richard J. Alario	Chairman of the Board of Directors, President and Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer)	May 18, 2012
/s/ T.M. Whichard III T.M. Whichard III	Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer)	May 18, 2012
/s/ Mark A. Cox Mark A. Cox	Vice President and Controller (Principal Accounting Officer)	May 18, 2012
/s/ Lynn R. Coleman Lynn R. Coleman	Director	May 18, 2012

/s/ Kevin P. Collins Kevin P. Collins	Director	May 18, 2012
/s/ William D. Fertig William D. Fertig	Director	May 18, 2012
/s/ W. Phillip Marcum W. Phillip Marcum	Director	May 18, 2012
/s/ Ralph S. Michael, III Ralph S. Michael, III	Director	May 18, 2012
/s/ William F. Owens	Director	May 18, 2012
William F. Owens		
/s/ Robert K. Reeves	Director	May 18, 2012
Robert K. Reeves		
/s/ J. Robinson West	Director	May 18, 2012
J. Robinson West		
/s/ Arlene M. Yocum	Director	May 18, 2012
Arlene M. Yocum		

INDEX TO EXHIBITS

Number	Description
3.1	Articles of Restatement of Key Energy Services, Inc. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 of the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2006, File No. 001-08038.)
3.2	Unanimous consent of the Board of Directors of Key Energy Services, Inc. dated January 11, 2000, limiting the designation of the additional authorized shares to common stock. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.2 of the Company s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2000, File No. 001-08038.)
3.3	Fourth Amended and Restated By-laws of Key Energy Services, Inc. as amended through February 22, 2012. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 of the Company s current Report on Form 8-K filed on February 27, 2012, file No. 001-08038.)
4.1	Key Energy Services, Inc. 2012 Equity and Cash Incentive Plan. (Incorporated by Reference to Appendix A to the registrant's Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on April 11, 2012.)
5.1	Opinion of Bracewell & Giuliani LLP, counsel to the registrant.
23.1	Consent of Bracewell & Giuliani LLP (included in Exhibit 5.1).
23.2	Consent of Grant Thornton LLP.
24	Power of attorney (included on the signature pages of this registration statement).