

ABB LTD  
Form 6-K  
July 01, 2010

**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 July 2010

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

No

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This Form 6-K consists of the following:

1. Press release issued by ABB Ltd dated July 1, 2010.

**Press Release**

ABB statement on Chloride

Zurich, Switzerland, July 1, 2010 ABB, the global power and automation technology group, has reviewed the offer announced by Emerson on 29 June 2010 of 375p per Chloride share and has decided not to match Emerson's offer.

While we still see considerable value in the combination of ABB and Chloride and have a high regard for the Chloride management team, we must take a disciplined approach when assessing potential acquisitions, said Joe Hogan, ABB's CEO.

ABB ([www.abb.com](http://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 117,000 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: July 1, 2010

By: /s/ Michel Gerber  
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Title: Group Senior Vice President and Head  
of Investor Relations

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