

TRANSALTA CORP  
Form 6-K  
March 09, 2012

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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 of the  
Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

For the month of March, 2012  
Commission File Number: 001 - 15214

**TRANSALTA CORPORATION**

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

**110-12<sup>th</sup> Avenue S.W., Box 1900, Station "M", Calgary, Alberta, T2P 2M1**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

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99.1 The Management Proxy Circular of the Registrant dated March 9, 2012 (excluding the "Performance Graph", which shall be deemed not to be incorporated by reference) and the Notice of Meeting filed as part of Exhibit 99.1 to this Form 6-K are hereby filed for the purpose of being and hereby are incorporated by reference into the Registrant's registration statements filed under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

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S-8	333-72454
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99.2 The Form of Proxy of the Registrant is hereby furnished, not filed, and will not be incorporated by reference into any registration statement filed by TransAlta Corporation under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

### 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.

#### TransAlta Corporation

By: /s/ Maryse St.-Laurent

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Maryse St.-Laurent  
Vice-President and Corporate Secretary

Date: March 9, 2012.

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**EXHIBIT INDEX**

- 99.1 TransAlta Corporation's Notice of Annual Meeting and Management Proxy Circular, dated March 9, 2012 (Only those portions as described in the body of this report are being filed).
- 99.2 TransAlta Corporation's Form of Proxy for its 2012 Annual Meeting of Shareholders is hereby furnished, not filed, and will not be incorporated by reference into any registration statement filed by TransAlta Corporation under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.
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