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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
UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
17 January 2013
Reed Elsevier PLC**

(Translation of registrant' s name into English)

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(Address of principal executive office)

Reed Elsevier NV

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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.

Reed Elsevier PLC

Date: 01/17/2013

By: A McCulloch _____

Name: A McCulloch

Title: Head of Company Secretariat

Reed Elsevier NV

Date: 01/17/2013

By: A McCulloch _____

Name: A McCulloch

Title: Authorised Signatory

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No.

Description

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Transactions in own shares

17 January 2013

ISSUED ON BEHALF OF REED ELSEVIER PLC AND REED ELSEVIER NV

Transactions in own shares

Reed Elsevier PLC announces that today, it purchased (through UBS Limited) 190,000 Reed Elsevier PLC ordinary shares at a price of 674.2058p per share. The purchased shares will be held as treasury shares. Following the above purchase, Reed Elsevier PLC holds 61,169,914 ordinary shares in treasury, and has 1,197,192,382 ordinary shares in issue (excluding treasury shares). Since 2 January 2013 Reed Elsevier PLC has purchased 3,685,000 shares.

Reed Elsevier NV announces that today, it purchased (through UBS Limited) 110,000 Reed Elsevier NV ordinary shares at a price of 11.3623 per share. The purchased shares will be held as treasury shares. Following the above purchase, Reed Elsevier NV holds 38,746,056 ordinary shares in treasury, and has 687,714,103 ordinary shares in issue (excluding treasury shares). Since 2 January 2013 Reed Elsevier NV has purchased 2,132,969 shares.