

TRANSALTA CORP  
Form 6-K  
July 16, 2012

**FORM 6-K**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**Washington, D.C. 20549**

**Report of Foreign Private Issuer**

**Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16**  
**of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

For the month of July, 2012

**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)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover Form 20-F or Form 40-F.

Form 20-F \_\_\_\_\_

Form 40-F  \_\_\_\_\_

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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant by furnishing the information contained in this Form is also thereby furnishing the information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Yes

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No

If  Yes is marked, indicate below the file number assigned to the registrant in connection with Rule 12g3-2(b):  
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The document listed below as Exhibit 99.1 to this Form 6-K is a copy of the Registrant's news release dated July 13, 2012. This news release is being 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.

**Explanatory Note**

On July 13, 2012, the Board of Directors of TransAlta Corporation declared a cash dividend of \$0.29 per common share, payable on October 1, 2012 to shareholders of record as of September 1, 2012. As September 1, 2012 falls on a Saturday, the effective record date for the dividend will be the close of business on Friday, August 31, 2012.

99.1            Press release dated July 13, 2012 announcing TransAlta declares dividends

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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.

**TransAlta Corporation**

By: /s/Brett Gellner

Brett Gellner

*Chief Financial Officer*

Date: July 13, 2012

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**EXHIBIT INDEX**

99.1 Press release dated July 13, 2012 announcing TransAlta declares dividends