

AS STEAMSHIP CO TORM
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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 November 2007

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A/S STEAMSHIP COMPANY TORM
(Translation of registrant's name into English)

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(Address of principal executive offices)

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Set forth herein as Exhibit 1 is a copy of Announcement No. 24 - 2007 issued by A/S STEAMSHIP COMPANY TORM to The Copenhagen Stock Exchange on November 22, 2007.

THIRD QUARTER REPORT 2007 – PERFORMANCE BETTER THAN EXPECTED

The expectations for the profit before tax excluding restructuring costs for 2007 are maintained at the level of USD 800-820 million.

“At USD 773 million, the profit before tax for the first three quarters was better than expected and highly satisfactory. The integration of our largest acquisition is well under way, and we are pleased to report that the integration process is proceeding smoothly. With the acquisition of OMI we have met the most important elements of our Greater Earning Power strategy. Therefore, as part of the integration we are updating our strategy to secure TORM’s long-term growth”, announces Klaus Kjærulff, CEO.

Highlights

- Profit before tax for the first three quarters of 2007 was USD 773 million (DKK 4,282 million). Profit after tax was USD 771 million (DKK 4,273 million).
- Equity was USD 1,059 million (DKK 5,569 million) at 30 September 2007, equivalent to USD 15.3 per share (DKK 80.5 per share) excluding treasury shares. In September, DKK 2,002 million (USD 367 million) was paid in dividend.
- The market value of the Company’s vessels, including the order book, exceeded book value by USD 1,482 million at 30 September 2007, equalling USD 21.4 per share (DKK 112.6 per share), excluding treasury shares. This amount does not include the value of 19 purchase options, which are exercisable from 2008. TORM has not sold second-hand tonnage in 2007.
- The product tanker market was very satisfactory during the first three quarters of 2007. Rates fell back over the summer, as expected. The end of the third quarter was marked by great volatility and falling rates. Going into the fourth quarter, the rates have been unseasonably low, and the demand for heating products for the winter market is weaker than expected, indicating a great transport demand later in the winter season. The period tanker market remains strong, which reflects the sustained strong demand and optimism among our customers. At 30 September 2007, the Company had covered 59% of the remaining earning days in 2007 at USD 21,937 per day.
- The bulk market has seen an upward trend throughout the year as a result of the increasing demand for transport of primarily iron ore and coal. At 30 September 2007, the Company had covered 100% of the remaining earning days in 2007 at USD 26,800 per day and 61% of the earning days in 2008 at USD 37,600 per day.
- Following TORM’s and Teekay’s takeover of OMI, the company’s assets were distributed at 1 August 2007, with TORM taking over 26 of OMI’s product tankers as well as OMI’s technical organisation in India and part of its organisation in the USA. The future management structure in India and the USA has now been finalised, and the integration of employees, vessels and customer portfolios is proceeding according to plan and meeting expectations from an operational as well as a financial perspective. The expected annual cost synergies resulting from the acquisition of OMI remain in the order of USD 10-15 million.
- Expectations for the profit before tax excluding restructuring costs for 2007 are maintained at the level of USD 800-820 million. Restructuring costs are expected to amount to approximately USD 15 million.

Teleconference

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TORM's Management will review the report on the third quarter of 2007 in a teleconference and webcast (www.torm.com) today, 22 November 2007, at 17.00 Copenhagen time (CET). To participate, please call 10 minutes before the call on tel.: +45 3271 4607 (from Europe) or +1 334 323 6201 (from the USA). A replay of the conference will be available from TORM's website.

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Million USD	Q3 2007	Q3 2006	Q1-Q3 2007	Q1-Q3 2006	2006
Income statement					
Net revenue	221.2	158.0	581.6	456.8	603.7
Time charter equivalent earnings (TCE)	173.2	115.8	455.0	348.2	455.4
Gross profit	92.9	66.8	251.4	212.6	271.4
EBITDA	73.4	97.8	211.6	252.2	301.0
Operating profit	45.2	83.4	149.4	207.9	242.1
Financial items	-11.5	-10.3	623.6	5.3	-1.0
Profit before tax	33.7	73.1	773.0	213.2	241.1
Net profit	30.9	66.9	771.3	205.4	234.5
Balance sheet					
Total assets	2,835.9	1,892.4	2,835.9	1,892.4	2,089.0
Equity	1,058.8	1,045.3	1,058.8	1,045.3	1,280.8
Total liabilities	1,777.1	847.1	1,777.1	847.1	808.2
Invested capital	2,509.9	1,224.1	2,509.9	1,224.1	1,298.5
Net interest bearing debt	1,462.1	616.6	1,462.1	616.6	662.0
Cash flow					
From operating activities	79.1	62.7	193.2	203.0	232.5
From investing activities	-36.5	43.8	-278.3	-42.7	-117.6
Thereof investment in tangible fixed assets	-36.5	-18.4	-202.2	-194.9	-262.4
From financing activities	-397.9	-55.8	181.4	-216.5	-238.6
Net cash flow	-355.3	50.7	96.3	-56.2	-123.7
Key financial figures					
Margins:					
TCE	78.3%	73.3%	78.2%	76.2%	75.3%
Gross profit	42.0%	42.3%	43.2%	46.5%	44.9%
EBITDA	33.2%	61.9%	36.4%	55.2%	49.8%
Operating profit	20.4%	52.8%	25.7%	45.5%	40.1%
Return on Equity (RoE) (p.a.)*	10.2%	27.9%	63.8%	28.1%	21.5%
Return on Invested Capital (RoIC) (p.a.)	7.2%	26.8%	10.4%	23.1%	19.6%
Equity ratio	37.3%	55.2%	37.3%	55.2%	61.3%
Exchange rate USD/DKK, end of period	5.26	5.89	5.26	5.89	5.66
Exchange rate USD/DKK, average	5.41	5.86	5.54	6.00	5.95
Share related key figures**)					
Earnings per share, EPS	USD	0.4	1.0	11.1	3.4
Cash flow per share, CFPS	USD	1.1	0.9	2.8	3.3
Share price, end of period (per share of DKK 5 each)	DKK	214.2	151.3	214.2	186.0
Number of shares, end of period	Mill.	72.8	72.8	72.8	72.8
Number of shares (excl. treasury shares),	Mill.	69.2	69.2	69.2	69.4

average

*) The gain from the sale of the Norden shares is not annualized when calculating the Return on Equity.

**Adjusted for the share split in May 2007.

Profit by division

Million USD	Q3 2007					Q1-Q3 2007				
	Tanker Division	Bulk Division	OMI)	Not allocated	Total	Tanker Division	Bulk Division	OMI)	Not allocated	Total
Net revenue	165.5	35.6	20.1	0.0	221.2	445.5	97.0	39.1	0.0	581.6
Port expenses, bunkers and commissions	-43.9	-1.6	-2.8	0.0	-48.3	-117.1	-4.1	-5.9	0.0	-127.1
Freight and bunker derivatives	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.5
Time charter equivalent earnings (TCE)	121.9	34.0	17.3	0.0	173.2	328.9	92.9	33.2	0.0	455.0
Charter hire	-25.6	-15.7	-3.6	0.0	-44.9	-64.6	-45.9	-7.3	0.0	-117.8
Operating expenses	-27.3	-2.6	-5.5	0.0	-35.4	-68.8	-7.5	-9.5	0.0	-85.8
Gross Profit	69.0	15.7	8.2	0.0	92.9	195.5	39.5	16.4	0.0	251.4
Profit from sale of vessels	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Administrative expenses	-12.4	-1.9	-8.7	0.0	-23.0	-32.9	-5.5	-11.5	0.0	-49.9
Other operating income	2.9	0.0	0.6	0.0	3.5	8.5	0.0	1.6	0.0	10.1
Depreciation and impairment losses	-22.2	-1.6	-4.4	0.0	-28.2	-49.4	-4.6	-8.2	0.0	-62.2
Operating profit	37.3	12.2	-4.3	0.0	45.2	121.7	29.4	-1.7	0.0	149.4
Financial items	-	-	-	-11.5	-11.5	-	-	-	623.6	623.6
Profit/(Loss) before tax	-	-	-	-11.5	33.7	-	-	-	623.6	773.0
Tax	-	-	-	-2.8	-2.8	-	-	-	-1.7	-1.7
Net profit	-	-	-	-14.3	30.9	-	-	-	621.9	771.3

*) Contains the result of the activity that TORM owns in a 50/50 joint venture with Teekay.

Tanker and Bulk**Tanker Division**

The Tanker Division achieved a profit before financial items of USD 37.3 million in the third quarter of 2007 against USD 45.7 million in the second quarter of 2007. The lower profit in the third quarter was a consequence of the low rates during the quarter, which were projected in the profit forecast.

After a satisfactory first half of 2007, rates dropped over the summer, as expected. The end of the third quarter was characterised by great volatility in the western market, while the eastern market was more stable, although falling slightly. Moreover, earnings were under pressure from rising costs, particularly in the bunker market, but also from the weak USD, which meant higher port expenses outside the USA. During the third quarter, TORM had a large coverage and a reduced number of ballast days, and the Company's earnings consequently exceeded the market average.

The tanker market was affected by the following factors in the third quarter of 2007:

Positive impact:

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- The US petrol reserves are lower than the five-year average, indicating that the USA will be forced to import petrol.
 - Expectations for a colder winter than last year's.
 - The Iran/Ceyhan oil pipeline was reopened, improving the market for LR2 tankers in the Mediterranean.
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Negative impact:

- Bunker expenditure rose, directly impacting earnings.
- The US heating oil inventories are higher than the five-year average.
- Increased taxation of petrol in Iran and China, which reduced short-term consumption and the related import/transport demand.

As a result of the weak demand for tankers relative to the strong demand seen in 2006 as a result of hurricane fears, the freight rates achieved by TORM's Tanker Division in the third quarter of 2007 were 21% lower for the LR2 segment, 10% lower for the LR1 segment and 13% lower for the MR segment compared with those of the third quarter of 2006.

The number of earning days in the LR2 segment was up by 43% on the third quarter of 2006, and the number of earning days in the LR1 and MR segments was up by 44% and 45%, respectively. The increase in earning days in the MR segment is principally due to the acquisition of OMI, while the increase in the LR1 and LR2 segments is due to a combination of delivered newbuildings and chartered vessels.

Tanker Division	Q3 06	Q4 06	Q1 07	Q2 07	Q3 07	Change Q3 06 - Q3 07
LR2 (Aframax, 90-110,000 DWT)						
Available earning days	642	703	720	799	920	43%
Per earning day (USD):						
Earnings (TCE)*	27,282	25,940	26,738	27,926	21,519	-21%
Operating expenses**)	-7,141	-5,614	-7,542	-8,204	-6,392	-10%
Operating cash flow***)	17,333	18,674	17,076	17,864	13,230	-24%
LR1 (Panamax, 75-85,000 DWT)						
Available earning days	1,194	1,193	1,279	1,392	1,714	44%
Per earning day (USD):						