DIANA SHIPPING INC. Form 20-F/A May 11, 2012

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 20-F/A
(Mark One)
[_] REGISTRATION STATEMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 12(b) OR 12(g) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
OR
[X] ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2011
OR
[_] TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
For the transition period fromtoOR
[_] SHELL COMPANY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 or 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
Date of event requiring this shell company report
Commission file number 001-32458
DIANA SHIPPING INC. (Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)
(Translation of Registrant's name into English)
Republic of The Marshall Islands (Jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

Pendelis 16, 175 64 Palaio Faliro, Athens, Greece (Address of principal executive offices)

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(Name, Telephone, E-mail and/or Facsimile number and Address of Company Contact Person)

Securities registered or to be registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act.

Title of each class Name of each exchange on which registered

Common stock, \$0.01 par value New York Stock Exchange Preferred stock purchase rights New York Stock Exchange

Securities registered or to be regis	stered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act.				
	None (Title of Class)					
Securities for which there is a reporting obligation pursuant to Section 15(d) of the Act.						
	None (Title of Class)					
Indicate the number of outstanding shares of each of the issuer's classes of capital or common stock as of the close of the period covered by the annual report.						
As of December 31, 2011, there were 82,419,417 shares of the registrant's common stock outstanding						
Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act.						
		[_]	Yes	[X] No		
If this report is an annual or transition report, indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.						
		[_]	Yes	[X] No		
Note-Checking the box above will not relieve any registrant required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 from their obligations under those Sections.						
Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days.						
		[X]	Yes	[_] No		
Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files).						
		[X]	Yes	[_] No		
Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, or a non-accelerated filer. See definition of "accelerated filer and large accelerated filer" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):						
Large accelerated filer [X]	Accelerated filer [_]	Non-accelerat	ted filer [_]			

Indicate by check mark which basis of accounting the registrant has used to prepare the financial statements included

in this filing:

U.S. GAAP [X] **International Financial Reporting** Other [_] Standards as issued by the **International Accounting Standards** Board [] If "Other" has been checked in response to the previous question, indicate by check mark which financial statement item the registrant has elected to follow.[_] Item 17 [_] Item 18 If this is an annual report, indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). [_] Yes [X] No (APPLICABLE ONLY TO ISSUERS INVOLVED IN BANKRUPTCY PROCEEDINGS DURING THE PAST FIVE YEARS) Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has filed all documents and reports required to be filed by Sections 12, 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 subsequent to the distribution of securities under a plan confirmed by a court. $[_1]$ Yes [_] No

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Explanatory Note

This Amendment No. 1 to the Annual Report on Form 20-F for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2011 originally filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on April 20, 2012 ("2011 Form 20-F"), is being filed solely for the purposes of furnishing Interactive Data File disclosure as Exhibit 101 in accordance with Rule 405 of Regulation S-T. This Exhibit was not previously filed.

Other than as expressly set forth above, this Form 20-F/A does not, and does not purport to, amend, update or restate the information in any other item of the 2011 Form 20-F, or reflect any events that have occurred after the 2011 Form 20-F was originally filed.

PART III

ITEM 19. EXHIBITS

The exhibits listed on the Exhibit Index hereof are filed herewith in response to this Item.

Exhibits Description

- The following financial information from Diana Shipping Inc.'s Annual Report on Form 20-F for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2011, filed with the SEC on April 20, 2012, formatted in Extensible Business Reporting Language (XBRL):
 - (1) Consolidated Balance Sheets as of December 31, 2011 and 2010;
 - (2) Consolidated Statements of Income for the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009;
 - (3) Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income for the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009;
 - (4) Consolidated Statements of Stockholders' Equity for the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009;
 - (5) Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows for the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009; and
 - (6) Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

SIGNATURES

The registrant hereby certifies that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form 20-F/A and has duly caused and authorized the undersigned to sign this annual report on its behalf.

DIANA SHIPPING INC.

/s/ Andreas Michalopoulos Andreas Michalopoulos Chief Financial Officer Dated: May 11, 2012