

Star Bulk Carriers Corp.
Form 6-K
November 13, 2017
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 November 2017

Commission File Number: 001-33869

STAR BULK CARRIERS CORP.
(Translation of registrant's name into English)

Star Bulk Carriers Corp.
c/o Star Bulk Management Inc.
40 Agiou Konstantinou Street,
15124 Maroussi,
Athens, Greece
(Address of principal executive office)

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INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS FORM 6-K REPORT

Underwriting Agreement

On November 2, 2017, Star Bulk Carriers Corporation (the “Company”) entered into an underwriting agreement (the “Underwriting Agreement”) with Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC as representative of the several underwriters named therein (collectively the “Underwriters”) pursuant to which the Company agreed to sell \$50,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 8.30% Senior Notes due 2022 (the “Notes”) in a registered offering under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the “Securities Act”). The Underwriting Agreement contains customary indemnities and covenants.

Documents Related to the Notes

The sale of the Notes closed on November 9, 2017. The Notes were issued pursuant to an indenture, dated as of November 6, 2014 (the “Base Indenture”), between the Company and U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee (the “Trustee”), as supplemented by a second supplemental indenture, dated as of November 9, 2017 (the “Supplemental Indenture” and, together with the Base Indenture, the “Indenture”).

The Notes bear interest at a rate of 8.30% per annum, payable quarterly in arrears on the 15th of February, May, August and November of each year, commencing on February 15, 2018.

The Notes mature on November 15, 2022, unless earlier purchased by the Company. The Company may redeem the Notes, in whole or in part, at any time on or after May 15, 2019 at a redemption price equal to 100% of the principal amount to be redeemed, plus accrued and unpaid interest to, but excluding, the redemption date. Prior to May 15, 2019, the Company may redeem the Notes, in whole or in part, at a price equal to 100% of their principal amount plus a make-whole premium and accrued interest to the date of redemption. In addition, the Company may redeem the Notes in whole, but not in part, at any time, at a redemption price equal to 100% of their principal amount to be redeemed, plus accrued and unpaid interest to, but excluding, the redemption date, if certain events occur involving changes in taxation.

The Indenture requires the Company to maintain a maximum 70% ratio of net debt to consolidated total assets and a minimum consolidated tangible net worth of \$500.0 million, provided that the Company will only breach these provisions if it has also breached a financial covenant in its credit agreements. The Indenture also contains various negative covenants, including a limitation on asset sales and a limitation on restricted payments. The indenture also contains other customary terms and covenants, including that upon certain events of default occurring and continuing, either the Trustee or the holders of not less than 25% in aggregate principal amount of the Notes then outstanding may declare the entire principal amount of all the Notes plus accrued interest, if any, to be immediately due and payable. Upon certain change of control events, the Company is required to offer to repurchase the Notes at a price equal to 101% of their principal amount, plus accrued and unpaid interest to, but not including, the date of redemption. If the Company receives net cash proceeds from certain asset sales and does not apply them within a specified deadline, it will be required to apply those proceeds to offer to repurchase the Notes at a price equal to 101% of their principal amount, plus accrued and unpaid interest to, but not including, the date of redemption.

The Notes are the senior unsecured obligations of the Company and rank equally with all of the Company's existing and future senior unsecured and unsubordinated debt. The Notes are not guaranteed by any of the Company's subsidiaries.

The foregoing description of the Underwriting Agreement and the Indenture does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the Underwriting Agreement, the Base Indenture and the Supplemental Indenture, copies of which are attached to this Current Report as Exhibit 1.1, Exhibit 4.1 and Exhibit 4.2, respectively, and each of which is incorporated herein by reference.

This information contained in this Current Report on Form 6-K, including the exhibits hereto, is hereby incorporated by reference into the Company's Registration Statement on Form F-3 (File No. 333-219381).

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| Exhibit No. | Name |
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| <u>1.1</u> | Underwriting Agreement, dated November 2, 2017, between Star Bulk Carriers Corp. (the “Company”) and the underwriters named on Schedule I thereto. |
| <u>4.1</u> | Base Indenture, dated November 6, 2014, between the Company and U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee (the “Trustee”) (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to the Registrant’s Current Report on Form 6-K filed on November 6, 2014) |
| <u>4.2</u> | Second Supplemental Indenture, dated November 9, 2017, between the Company and the Trustee. |

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.

Date: November 13, 2017 STAR BULK CARRIERS CORP.
(Registrant)

By: /s/ Simos Spyrou
Name: Simos Spyrou
Title: Co-Chief Financial Officer
