

DryShips Inc.  
Form 6-K  
September 16, 2015  
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 September 2015

Commission File Number 001-33922

DRYSHIPS INC.

109 Kifissias Avenue and Sina Street  
151 24, Marousi  
Athens, Greece  
(Address of principal executive offices)

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Commission filing on EDGAR.

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INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS FORM 6-K REPORT

DryShips Inc. (the "Company") is furnishing the following information pursuant to certain disclosure requirements contained in its Audit Committee Charter concerning the approval of related-party transactions. On September 10, 2015, the Company announced that it had entered into firm agreements with entities controlled by the Company's Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, George Economou, to sell 17 vessels. The 17 vessels, comprised of 13 Capesize and 4 Panamax bulk carriers, are being sold for an aggregate price of \$377.0 million, including their existing employment agreements and the assumption of \$236.7 million of debt as of September 10, 2015 associated with some of the vessels. The Audit Committee and the Board of Directors approved the transactions on the basis of valuation certificates provided by independent third-party brokers. No other advisors were retained in connection with the transactions.

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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.

DRYSHIPS INC.  
(Registrant)

Dated: September 16, 2015 By: /s/ Ziad Nakhleh  
Ziad Nakhleh  
Chief Financial Officer