

DIANA SHIPPING INC.
Form 6-K
May 11, 2007

**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 May 2007

Commission File Number: 001-32458

DIANA SHIPPING INC.

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

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

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

Form 20-F Form 40-F

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INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS FORM 6-K REPORT

Attached to this Report on Form 6-K as Exhibit 1 is a press release dated May 4, 2007 from Diana Shipping Inc. (the “Company”) announcing that the Company's Director, Vice-President and Secretary, Ioannis Zafirakis, will present at the Bear Stearns 2007 Global Transportation Conference on Wednesday, May 9th at 8:45 AM.

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**DIANA SHIPPING INC. TO PRESENT AT BEAR STEARNS 2007
GLOBAL TRANSPORTATION CONFERENCE**

ATHENS, GREECE, May 4, 2007 – Diana Shipping Inc. (NYSE: DSX), a global shipping transportation company specializing in dry bulk cargoes, announced today that the Company's Director, Vice-President and Secretary, Ioannis Zafirakis, will present at the Bear Stearns 2007 Global Transportation Conference on Wednesday, May 9th at 8:45 AM. The Conference is being held at the Bear Stearns World Headquarters in New York, located at 383 Madison Avenue.

About the Company

Diana Shipping Inc. is a global provider of shipping transportation services. The Company specializes in transporting dry bulk cargoes, including such commodities as iron ore, coal, grain and other materials along worldwide shipping routes.

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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.

DIANA SHIPPING INC.
(registrant)

By: /s/ Anastassis Margaronis
Anastassis Margaronis
President

Dated: May 11, 2007

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