

DryShips Inc.

2nd Quarter Ended June 30, 2011 Earnings Presentation











NASDAQ: "DRYS"

August 31, 2011

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Q2 2011 Results

Reported Net Loss: \$ 114.1 million or \$ 0.33 per share

Plus	Impairment losses from the sale of La Jolla, Conquistador, Samsara, Brisbane and Toro, net of gains related to insurance proceeds from total loss of Oliva	\$ 87.0 m
Plus	Losses incurred on our interest rate swaps	\$ 35.9 m
Plus	Incremental costs associated with class survey of Leiv Eiriksson	\$ 8.6 m

Adjusted Net Income: \$ 17.4 million or \$ 0.04 per share

Earnings impacted by actual commencement of operations and particularities regarding revenue recognition at Ocean Rig UDW



Impact from New Drilling Operations

- Three out of four drilling units on new contracts, required mobilization before we were in position to earn the full contractual daily operating rate
- Earnings from drilling operations this quarter do not reflect the full earnings capacity of our drilling segment
- Effectively all three drilling units commenced drilling operations in the middle of the quarter

Drilling Unit	Shipyard Delivery Date	Commenced New Contract Operations	Revenue Recognition Days ¹	% of Calendar Days
Leiv Eiriksson	N/A	May 25	45 ²	49%
OCR Corcovado	January 3	May 20	41	45%
OCR Olympia	March 30	May 12	49	54%

If all drilling units were operating during the entire quarter, at a 95% utilization rate, we estimate would have resulted in additional operating income of approximately \$35 million² or \$0.10 per share

- 1 Revenue recognition days represent the days between the end of the quarter and the date each unit commenced operations
- 2 The Leiv Eiriksson also operated under the Petrobras contract through its redelivery date on April 10th
- 3 Assuming daily operating expenses of \$150,000 per unit



Continuing to Deliver on Strategy

Drybulk Segment – Fleet Modernization

- > Sold the vessels La Jolla, Conquistador, Brisbane, Samsara and Toro for \$90.1 million
 - La Jolla and Conquistador delivered in July, Samsara delivered in August, while Brisbane and Samsara in September and October, respectively
- > Agreed to acquire 100% of the shares of OceanFreight Inc.

Drilling Segment – Deliveries Financed & Listing Underway

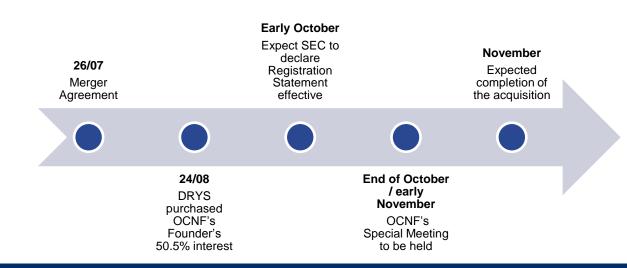
- Ocean Rig Poseidon delivered on July 28th, drew balance of \$495 million credit facility
- Ocean Rig Mykonos expected delivery on September 30th, drawdown of \$495 million credit facility
- Announced a partial spin-off by way of dividend of our interest in Ocean Rig UDW
- **Exchange Offer registration statement (F-4) declared effective and commenced on August** 26th





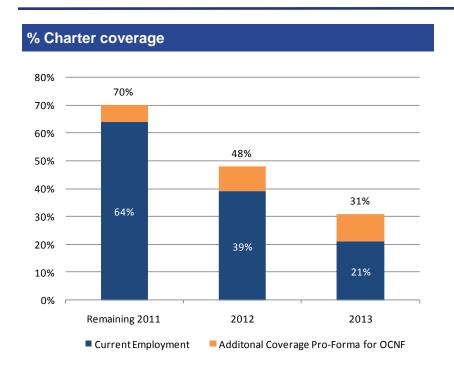
OceanFreight Acquisition

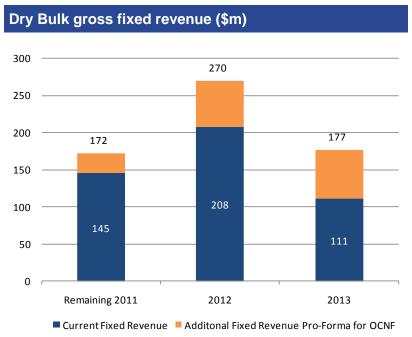
- Funded with 50% cash and 50% Ocean Rig shares of common stock
 - Same consideration paid to all shareholders
 - Minimal use of DryShips' cash resources
 - No additional issuance of shares
 - Consistent with our fleet modernization strategy
 - Creates the largest public owner of capesize drybulk vessels
 - Increases charter coverage through long term contracts





DryBulk Employment Status



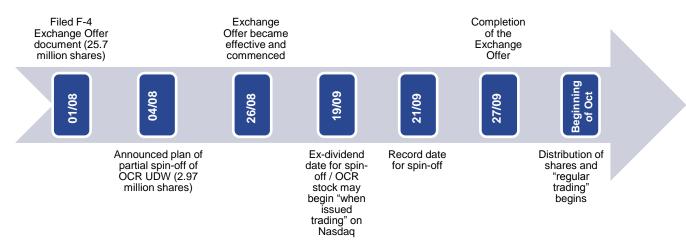


- Total revenue* from time charters for the next 2.5 years is about \$620 million
- > OCNF transaction significantly improves charter coverage
- * Pro-forma to the OceanFreight transaction



Ocean Rig UDW (ORIG) - Listing as planned

- Exchange Offer commenced
 - > 28.6 million shares issued in December 2010 private placement
 - Offer to exchange with new common shares open for 30 days
- Partial spin-off of 3 million shares
 - Ocean Rig free float of 34.7 million shares, 26.3%*
 - Ration of ORIG to DRYS shares determined on record date September 21st
- > Application to list shares on Nasdaq Global Select Market
 - Expect "when-issued" trading around mid September
 - Expect "regular-way" trading in October, symbol: "ORIG"

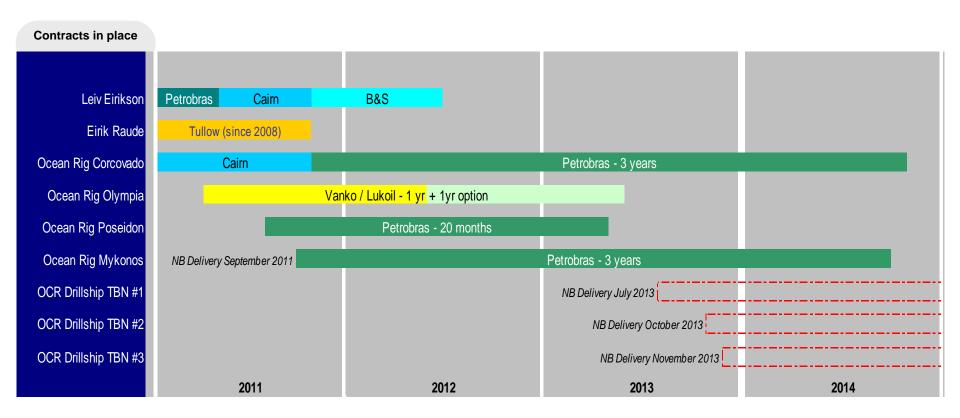


^{*} Includes OceanFreight transaction



ORIG Contract Backlog – Solid \$1.9 billion

Drilling segment working on all 6 cylinders for the first time



ORIG Contract Backlog – Solid \$1.9 billion

- Three drillships delivered, crewed, mobilized and commenced drilling operations
- Management is actively seeking to extend the successful partnerships with existing clients and forge new relationships

Unit	Year Built	Redelivery	Customer	Operating Area	Maximum dayrate (\$k)	Backlog (\$m)
Leiv Eiriksson	2001	Q4 – 11	Cairn	Greenland	\$ 550	\$ 68
Leiv Eiriksson	2001	Q2 – 12	Borders & Southern	Falklands	\$ 530	\$ 126
Eirik Raude	2002	Q4 – 11	Tullow	Off-shore Ghana	\$ 665	\$ 67
OCR Corcovado	2011	Q4 – 11	Cairn	Greenland	\$ 560	\$ 69
OCR Corcovado	2011	Q4 – 14	Petrobras	Brazil	\$ 460	\$ 534
OCR Olympia	2011	Q2 – 12	Vanco / Lukoil	W. Africa	\$ 415	\$ 127
OCR Poseidon	2011	Q2 – 13	Petrobras	Tanzania	\$ 632	\$ 378
OCR Mykonos	2011	Q4 – 14	Petrobras	Brazil	\$ 455	\$ 528
Total						\$ 1,897

Notes: Backlog as of 30/06/2011

Vanco/Lukoil backlog does not assume extension of 1-yr





Aker Drilling Acquisition by Transocean

- August 15th, Transocean announced an all cash NOK 26.5 offer for 100% of Aker Drilling
- Offer price represents premium of 99% over Aker Drilling's closing price the day prior to the announcement
- According to research analysts¹ the value per "on-the-water" 6th generation drilling unit ranges between \$950 \$1,050 million (\$600 \$650 million per newbuilding drillship)

Name	Туре	Year Built	Employment
Aker Barents	Semi submersible	2009	Employed through July 2014
Aker Spitsbergen	Semi submersible	2010	Employed through July 2013
Aker TBN 1	Drillship	2013E	-
Aker TBN 2	Drillship	2013E	-



¹ Source: Pareto. RS Platou





Valuation Implications for Ocean Rig UDW

- Acquisition consideration paid for Aker Drilling reveals significant potential value of Ocean Rig UDW
- ➤ We applied the Aker Drilling acquisition metrics to estimate the Ocean Rig UDW value as follows:
 - ➤ \$6.0 billion total enterprise value for all six ORIG units, (\$1.9 billion for newbuildings)
 - ➤ Implied ORIG equity value estimated approximately at \$4.5 billion¹ or \$33.81 per share²
- > DryShips' 73.7% stake in ORIG estimated approximately at \$3.3 billion or \$8.22 per share³

DryShips shares trading at a steep discount to drilling segment implied value and with negative value on the drybulk and tanker segments

³ Based on 399.151.783 shares





¹ Based on 6/30/2011 net debt and remaining capex

² Based on 131,696,928 shares

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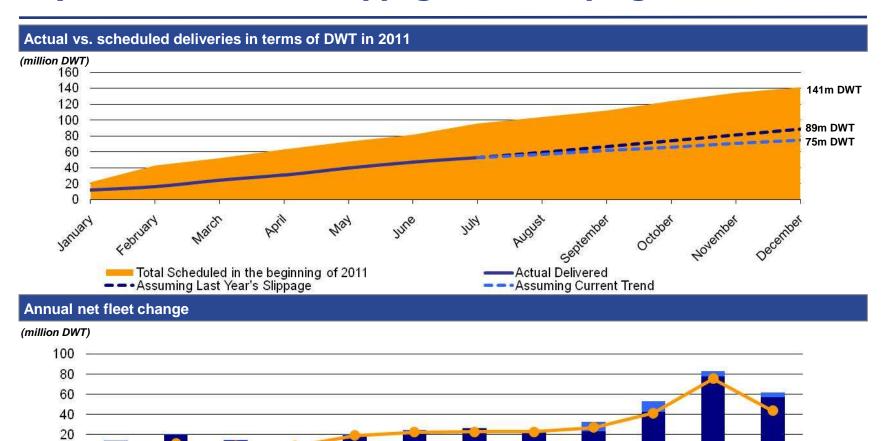
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Drybulk Deliveries – Slippage and scraping



Source: Clarkson



2000

Deliveries

2001

2002

Sold for Scrap

2003

2004

losses

2005

Misc. Additions

2006

2007

2010 YTD 2011

Net Fleet Change

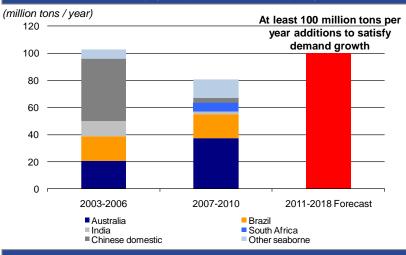
2009

2008

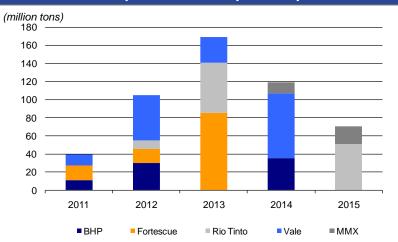
Misc. Removals

Drybulk Demand Growth – Solid Fundamentals

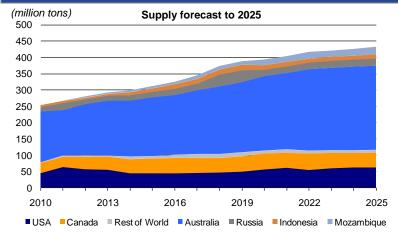
Global Iron Ore supply/export additions per year

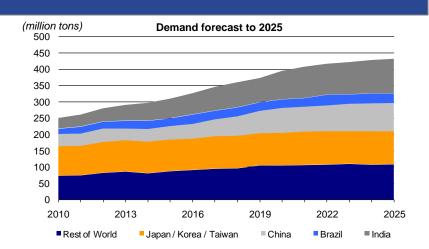


Iron Ore and Coal production – Expansion plans



Coking Coal – Supply and Demand

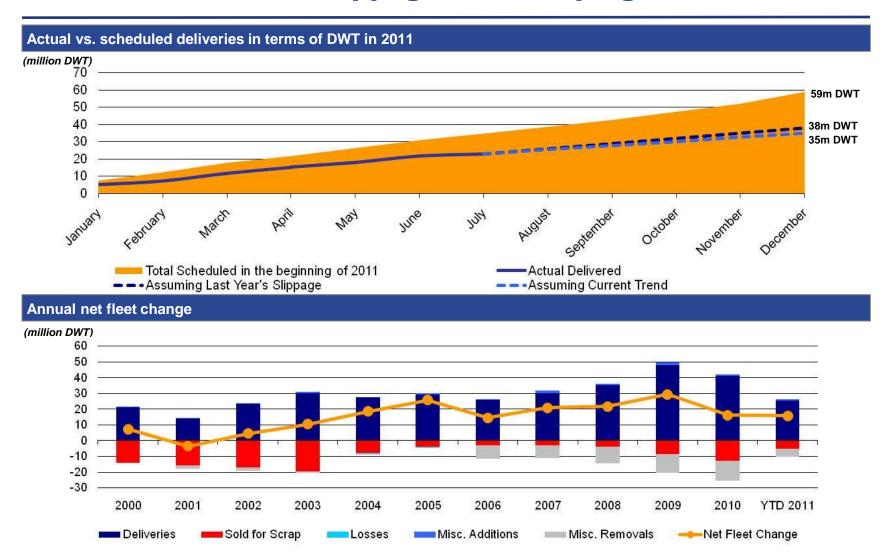




Source: Clarksons, Rio Tinto, Wood Mackenzie



Tanker Deliveries – Slippage and scraping

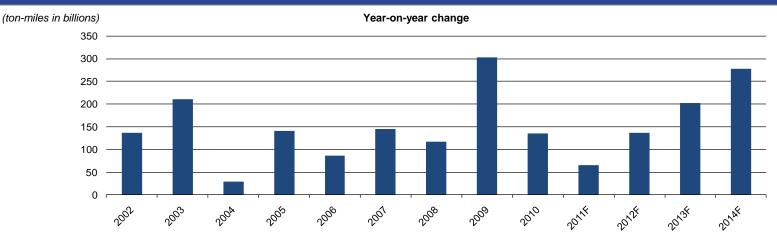


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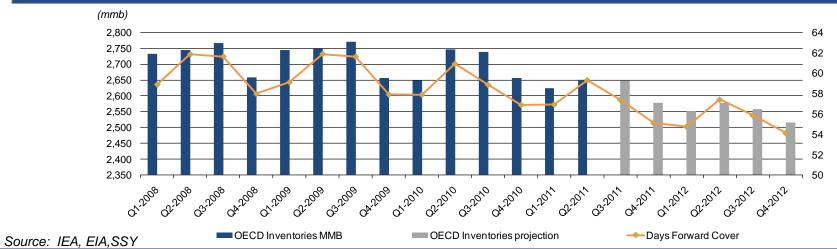


Oil - Other Factors

Chinese crude ton-miles



OECD inventories – decline expected to accelerate

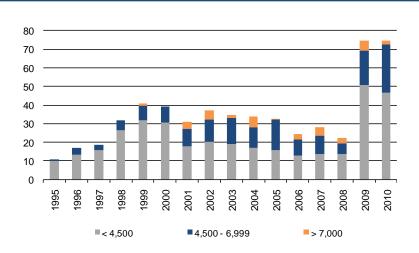




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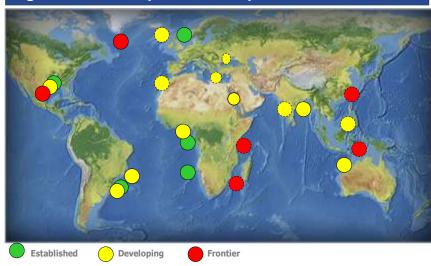
Ultra-deepwater exploration: a proven growth market

Discoveries by water depth - Strong deepwater growth



- Deepwater production has doubled in last 5 years
- Deepwater discoveries accounted for ~50% of world discoveries from 2006-2009
- Deepwater discoveries 6x larger in size than new onshore discoveries

Significant development of deep water wells



- > Rising oil prices improve economics for UDW operators
- > Depleting reserves make UDW exploration critical
- UDW is still a young segment focused mostly on exploration
- > Development in infancy and gathering pace

Source: Pareto Research, HIS CERA, Wood Mackenzie, First Securities





UDW Drilling – A Rising Market

Market has significantly picked-up

Brazil rig market (> 7,500 ft)

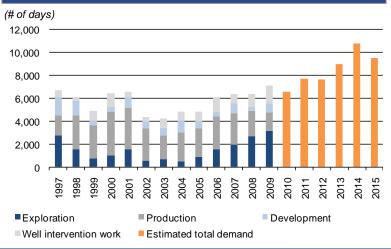
- Management estimate of current market rate: over \$500,000 per day
- Currently more than 15 open enquiries for projects in Brazil, West Africa, North Sea, Mediterranean, Malaysia, etc
- Brazil expected to play a critical role in balancing ultradeepwater demand and supply
- Latent demand from GoM could be game changer for the UDW market

(# of rig years) 45 40 35 30 25 20 15

World demand (> 5,000 ft) by region



Norway floater rig demand





Source: Pareto. First Securities

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DryShips continues to execute its business plan

- Drybulk segment defensively positioned
 - Modern fleet average age 5.5 years
 - Charter coverage 50% in 2012
- Tanker segment
 - Debt financing underway
- Drilling segment working on all 6 cylinders
 - Major 2012 contribution to DryShips earnings
 - Listing of OCR UDW trading liquidity
 - > Aker drilling transaction implied equity value for OCR at \$34 per share
 - No CAPEX until mid-2013

Significant upside potential







Fleet Profile

	Year			Gross rate	Redelivery			Year			Gross rate	
	Built	DWT	Type	Per day	Earliest	Latest		Built	DWT	Type	Per day	
Dry fleet							Newbuildings					
							Panamax 1	2011	76,000	Panamax		
Capesize:							Panamax 2	2012	76,000	Panamax		
Alameda	2001	170,662	Capesize	\$27,500	Nov-15	Jan-16	Capesize 1	2012	176,000	Capesize		
Brisbane	1995	151,066	Capesize	\$25,000	Sep-11	Sep-11	Capesize 2	2012	176,000	Capesize		
Capri	2001	172,579	Capesize	Spot			Tanker fleet					
Flecha	2004	170,012	Capesize	\$55,000	Jul-18	Nov-18	Vilamoura	2011	158,300	Suezmax	Blue Fin Pool	
Manasota	2004	171,061	Capesize	\$30,000	Jan-18	Aug-18	Saga	2011	115,200	Aframax	Sigma Pool	
Mystic	2008	170,040	Capesize	\$52,310	Aug-18	Dec-18	Daytona	2011	115,200	Aframax	Sigma Pool	
•			•		-		-				_	
Panamax:							Newbuildings					
Amalfi	2009	75,206	Panamax	\$39,750	Aug- 13	Oct- 13	Alicante	2012	115,200	Aframax		
Avoca	2004	76,629	Panamax	\$45,500	Sep-13	Dec-13	Belmar	2011	115,200	Aframax		
Bargara	2002	74,832	Panamax	\$43,750	May-12	Jul-12	Calida	2011	115,200	Aframax		
Capitola	2001	74,816	Panamax	Spot	-		Mareta	2012	115,200	Aframax		
Catalina	2005	74,432	Panamax	\$40,000	Jun-13	Aug-13	Blanca	2013	158,300	Suezmax		
Coronado	2000	75,706	Panamax	\$18,250	Sep-11	Nov-11	Bordeira	2013	158,300	Suezmax		
Ecola	2001	73,931	Panamax	\$43,500	Jun-12	Aug-12	Esperona	2013	158,300	Suezmax		
Levanto	2001	73,925	Panamax	\$16,800	Sep-11	Nov-11	Lipari Petalidi	2012 2012	158,300 158,300	Suezmax Suezmax		
Ligari	2004	75,583	Panamax	\$55,500	Jun-12	Aug-12	retaildi	2012	138,300	Suezmax		
Maganari	2001	75,941	Panamax	\$14,500	Sept-11	Sep-11						
Majorca	2005	74,477	Panamax	\$43,750	Jun-12	Aug-12						
Marbella	2000	72,561	Panamax	\$14,750	Aug-11	Nov-11	Drilling Units					
Mendocino	2002	76,623	Panamax	\$56,500	Jun-12	Sep-12						
Ocean Crystal	1999	73,688	Panamax	\$15,000	Aug-11	Nov-11			ar Built or Sched		Contract Term	Backlog
•	2002	74,204	Panamax	\$16,350	Aug-11 Aug-11	Oct-11	F	D	elivery / Generati	<u>on</u>		(\$ million)
Oregon Padre	2002	73,601	Panamax	\$46,500	Sep-12	Dec-12	Existing Drilling Rigs Leiv Eiriksson		2001 / 5th		02 2011 – Q4 2011	\$68
Positano	2004	73,288	Panamax	\$42,500	Sep-12 Sep-13	Dec-12 Dec-13	Leiv Eiriksson		2001 / 5th		042011 - Q4 2011 042011 - Q2 2012	\$126
	2009	75,123		\$15,400		Oct-11	Eirik Raude		2002 / 5th	Q	94 2008 - Q4 2011	\$67
Rapallo	2009		Panamax	\$34,500	Aug-11							
Redondo Saldanha	2004	74,716 75,707	Panamax Panamax	\$52,500 \$52,500	Apr-13 Jun-12	Jun-13 Sep-12	Existing Drillships					
					Jun-12	Sep-12	Ocean Rig Corcovado		2011 / 6th		1 2011 – Q4 2011	\$69
Samatan	2001	74,823	Panamax	Spot	0 . 11	N 11					04 2011- Q4 2014	\$534
Sonoma	2001	74,786	Panamax	\$19,300	Sept- 11	Nov- 11	Ocean Rig Olympia		2011 / 6th Q3 2011 / 6th		Q2 2011 – Q2 2012 Q3 2011 – Q2 2013	\$127 \$378
Sorrento	2004	76,633	Panamax	\$17,300	Sep-11	Dec-11	Ocean Rig Poseidon Newbuilding Drillships		Q3 2011 / 6th	(23 2011 – Q2 2013	\$3/8
Toro	1995	73,035	Panamax	Spot			Ocean Rig Mykonos		Q3 2011 / 6th	0	4 2011- Q4 2014	\$528
-							OCR Drillship TBN #1		Q3 2017 / 0th	Q	V. 2011	\$520
Supramax:							OCR Drillship TBN #2		Q4 2013 / 7th			
Galveston	2002	51,201	Supramax	Spot			OCR Drillship TBN #3		Q4 2013 / 7th			
Byron	2003	51,201	Supramax	Spot							Total	\$1,897

^{*} Fleet List as of August 30, 2011



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Pro Forma* DryShips – Young Fleet Positioned for Upturn



 st Pro-forma to the OceanFreight transaction and partial spin off of Ocean Rig UDW



Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations

(Expressed in Thousands of U.S. Dollars except for share and per share data)		Three Month	s Fn	ded June 30		Six Months	Fn	ided June 30,
except for share and per share data)	•	2010	3 1211	2011		2010	101	2011
		(as restated)	-	2011		(as restated)	-	2011
REVENUES:								
Voyage revenues	\$	115,266	\$	97,389	\$	229,169	\$	195,476
Revenues from drilling contracts		108,972	_	126,629		189,228	_	235,955
		224,238	=	224,018	-	418,397		431,431
EXPENSES:								
Voyage expenses		6,510		5,546		13,537		12,062
Vessel operating expenses		16,327		22,622		35,586		43,706
Drilling rigs operating expenses		30,408		62,288		59,508		104,137
Depreciation and amortization		48,324		65,106		95,482		121,021
Vessel impairments and other, net		430		87,747		(10,254)		87,745
General and administrative expenses		16,823	-	26,720		44,011	-	52,397
Operating income / (loss)		105,416		(46,011)		180,527		10,363
OTHER INCOME / (EXPENSES):								
Interest and finance costs, net of interest income		(13,318)		(33,293)		(30,213)		(48,902)
Loss on interest rate swaps		(63,790)		(35,920)		(98,427)		(39,775)
Other, net		(1,481)		1,223		(7,209)		2,279
Income taxes		(7,361)	_	(3,817)	_	(11,938)	_	(9,778)
Total other expenses		(85,950)	_	(71,807)		(147,787)	-	(96,176)
Net income / (loss)		19,466		(117,818)		32,740		(85,813)
Net income/ (loss) attributable to Non controlling interests		_	_	3,729		-	_	(2,511)
Net income / (loss) attributable								
to Dryships Inc.	\$	19,466	\$	(114,089)	\$	32,740	\$	(88,324)
Earnings/(loss) per common share, basic and diluted Weighted average number of shares, basic and	\$	0.07	\$	(0.33)	\$	0.10	\$	(0.27)
diluted		255,199,773		351,297,180		255,012,737		344,259,487



Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets

(Expressed in Thousands of U.S. Dollars)	_	December 31, 2010	_	June 30, 2011
ASSETS				
CURRENT ASSETS:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	391,530	\$	367,674
Restricted cash		578,311		112,504
Trade accounts receivable, net		25,204		84,897
Other current assets		70,065		146,610
Total current assets	_	1,065,110	_	711,685
FIXED ASSETS, NET:				
Advances for assets under construction and acquisitions		2,072,699		1,889,230
Vessels, net		1,917,966		1,863,092
Drilling rigs, machinery and equipment, net		1,249,333		2,969,074
Total fixed assets, net	_	5,239,998	_	6,721,396
OTHER NON CURRENT ASSETS:				
Restricted cash		195,517		328,209
Other non-current assets		483,869		106,186
Total non current assets		679,386		434,395
Total assets	_	6,984,494	: =	7,867,476
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY				
CURRENT LIABILITIES:				
Current portion of long-term debt		731,232		429,957
Other current liabilities		204,203	_	297,946
Total current liabilities	_	935,435	-	727,903
NON CURRENT LIABILITIES				
Long-term debt, net of current portion		1,988,460		3,158,115
Other non-current liabilities		161,070	_	145,281
Total non current liabilities		2,149,530		3,303,396
COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES		-		-
STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY:				
Total Dryships Inc. stockholders' equity		3,363,253		3,295,891
Non controlling interests	_	536,276		540,286
Total equity	_	3,899,529	_	3,836,177
Total liabilities and stockholders equity	\$	6,984,494	\$	7,867,476



Summary Operating Data

(Dollars in thousands, except average daily results)

<u>Drybulk</u>	Three Months En	ded June 30,	Six Months Ended June 30,		
	2010	2011	2010	2011	
Average number of vessels ⁽¹⁾	37.0	35.0	37.3	35.9	
Total voyage days for vessels ⁽²⁾	3,330	3,123	6,644	6,342	
Total calendar days for vessels ⁽³⁾	3,367	3,188	6,751	6,503	
Fleet utilization ⁽⁴⁾	98.9%	97.9%	98.4%	97.5%	
Time charter equivalent ⁽⁵⁾	\$32,659	\$28,080	\$32,455	\$28,101	
Vessel operating expenses (daily) ⁽⁶⁾	\$4,849	\$6,435	\$5,271	\$6,107	

<u>Tanker</u>	Three Months Ended June 30, 2011	Six Months Ended June 30, 2011		
Average number of vessels ⁽¹⁾	2.6	1.8		
Total voyage days for vessels ⁽²⁾	245	326		
Total calendar days for vessels ⁽³⁾	245	326		
Fleet utilization ⁽⁴⁾	100%	100%		
Time charter equivalent ⁽⁵⁾	\$16,935	\$15,945		
Vessel operating expenses (daily) ⁽⁶⁾	\$8,600	\$12,239		

(1) Average number of vessels is the number of vessels that constituted our fleet for the relevant period, as measured by the sum of the number of days each vessel was a part of our fleet during the period divided by the number of calendar days in that period.

(2) Total voyage days for fleet are the total days the vessels were in our possession for the relevant period net of off hire days.

(3) Calendar days are the total number of days the vessels were in our possession for the relevant period including off hire days.

(4) Fleet utilization is the percentage of time that our vessels were available for revenue generating voyage days, and is determined by dividing voyage days by fleet calendar days for the relevant period.

(5) Time charter equivalent, or TCE, is a measure of the average daily revenue performance of a vessel on a per voyage basis. Our method of calculating TCE is consistent with industry standards and is determined by dividing voyage revenues (net of voyage expenses) by voyage days for the relevant time period. Voyage expenses primarily consist of port, canal and fuel costs that are unique to a particular voyage, which would otherwise be paid by the charterer under a time charter contract, as well as commissions. TCE is a standard shipping industry performance measure used primarily to compare period-to-period changes in a shipping company's performance despite changes in the mix of charter types (i.e., spot charters, time charters and bareboat charters) under which the vessels may be employed between the periods.

(6) Daily vessel operating expenses, which includes crew costs, provisions, deck and engine stores, lubricating oil, insurance, maintenance and repairs is calculated by dividing vessel operating expenses by fleet calendar days for the relevant time period.

