

DRYSHIPS INC., REPORTS FIRST QUARTER 2008 RESULTS, CONFERENCE CALL AND WEBCAST

Earnings Release: Monday May 19, 2008, after 4:00 p.m. EDT

Conference Call and Webcast: Tuesday May 20, 2008, at 9:30 a.m. EDT

May 13, 2008. ATHENS, Greece – DryShips Inc. (NASDAQ: DRYS) announced today that it will release its results for the first quarter 2008, after the market closes in New York on Monday, May 19, 2008.

DryShips' management team will host a conference call on Tuesday, May 20, 2008, at 9:30 a.m. Eastern Daylight Saving Time to discuss the Company's financial results.

Conference Call details:

Participants should dial into the call 10 minutes before the scheduled time using the following numbers: 1(866) 819- 7111 (from the US), 0(800) 953-0329 (from the UK) or +(44) 1452 542 301 (from outside the US). Please quote "DryShips".

In case of any problem with the above numbers, please dial 1(866) 223 0615 (from the US), 0(800) 694- 1503 (from the UK) or +(44) 1452 586 -513 (from outside the US). Quote "DryShips".

A replay of the conference call will be available until May 28, 2008. The United States replay number is 1(866) 247 4222; the international replay number is 0(800) 953 -1533; from the UK or (+44) 1452-550 000 and access code required for the replay is : 2133051#

Slides and audio webcast:

There will also be a simultaneous live webcast over the Internet, through the DryShips, Inc. website (www.dryships.com). Participants to the live webcast should register on the website approximately 10 minutes prior to the start of the webcast.

About DryShips, Inc.

DryShips Inc., based in Greece, is an owner and operator of drybulk carriers that operate worldwide. As of the day of this release, DryShips owns a fleet of 47 drybulk carriers comprising 4 Capesize, 32 Panamax, 2 Supramax, 9 newbuilding drybulk vessels, with a combined deadweight tonnage of over 4 million tons.

DryShips Inc.'s common stock is listed on the NASDAQ Global Market where it trades under the symbol "DRYS".

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