

Eagle Bulk Shipping Inc. Adds Capacity - Acquires Modern Ultramax Bulkcarrier

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STAMFORD, Conn., Jan. 05, 2023 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Eagle Bulk Shipping Inc. (NYSE: EGLE) ("Eagle Bulk", "Eagle", or the "Company"), one of the world's largest owner-operators within the midsize drybulk vessel segment, today announced that it has expanded its fleet with the purchase of a high-specification 2015-built Ultramax bulkcarrier for USD 24.3 million.

The vessel, which was constructed at the Chengxi Shipyard Co., Ltd., will be renamed the M/V Gibraltar Eagle and is expected to be delivered to the Company during the first quarter of 2023.

This transaction is well-aligned with the Company's growth strategy of enhancing its fleet composition. Specifically, improving the age profile of the fleet, increasing the cargo capacity per vessel, and reducing emissions on a per deadweight ton basis.

Following this transaction, Eagle's fleet will total 54 ships (89% scrubber-fitted) with an average age of 9.5 years. Since the Company commenced its vessel renewal and growth program, it has executed 52 S&P transactions, acquiring 31 modern vessels and divesting 21 of its oldest and least-efficient ships.

About Eagle Bulk Shipping Inc.

Eagle Bulk Shipping Inc. ("Eagle" or the "Company") is a US-based, fully integrated shipowner-operator providing global transportation solutions to a diverse group of customers including miners, producers, traders, and end users. Headquartered in Stamford, Connecticut, with offices in Singapore and Copenhagen, Eagle focuses exclusively on the versatile midsize drybulk vessel segment and owns one of the largest fleets of Supramax / Ultramax vessels in the world. The Company performs all management services in-house (including strategic, commercial, operational, technical, and administrative) and employs an active-management approach to fleet trading with the objective of optimizing revenue performance and maximizing earnings on a risk-managed basis. For further information, please visit our website: www.eagleships.com.

Forward-Looking Statements

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The forward-looking statements in this release are based upon various assumptions, many of which are based, in turn, upon further assumptions, including without limitation, examination of historical operating trends, data contained in our records and other data available from third parties. Although the Company believes that these assumptions were reasonable when made, because these assumptions are inherently subject to significant uncertainties and contingencies which are difficult or impossible to predict and are beyond our control, Eagle cannot assure you that it will achieve or accomplish these expectations, beliefs or projections.

Risks and uncertainties are further described in reports filed by the Company with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

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