

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549
SCHEDULE 13D/A
(Amendment No. 4)

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Eagle Bulk Shipping Inc.

(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share

(Title of Class of Securities)

Y2187A127
(CUSIP Number)

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December 13, 2016

(Date of Event which Requires Filing of this Statement)

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1	NAME OF REPORTING PERSON GOLDENTREE ASSET MANAGEMENT LP		
2	CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP		(a) <input type="checkbox"/> (b) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
3	SEC USE ONLY		
4	SOURCE OF FUNDS AF		
5	CHECK IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(d) or 2(e) <input type="checkbox"/>		
6	CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION Delaware		
NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH	7	SOLE VOTING POWER 0	
	8	SHARED VOTING POWER 8,594,674**	
	9	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER 0	
	10	SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER 8,594,674**	
11	AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON 8,594,674**		
12	CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES (SEE INSTRUCTIONS) <input type="checkbox"/>		
13	PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11) 17.9%		
14	TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (SEE INSTRUCTIONS) IA		

** Includes 173 shares of Common Stock issuable upon exercise of warrants.

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1	NAME OF REPORTING PERSON GOLDENTREE ASSET MANAGEMENT LLC		
2	CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP		(a) <input type="checkbox"/> (b) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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6	CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION Delaware		
NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH	7	SOLE VOTING POWER 0	
	8	SHARED VOTING POWER 8,594,674**	
	9	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER 0	
	10	SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER 8,594,674**	
11	AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON 8,594,674**		
12	CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)		<input type="checkbox"/>
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14	TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (SEE INSTRUCTIONS) OO		

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1	NAME OF REPORTING PERSON STEVEN A. TANANBAUM		
2	CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP		(a) <input type="checkbox"/> (b) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
3	SEC USE ONLY		
4	SOURCE OF FUNDS AF		
5	CHECK IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(d) or 2(e) <input type="checkbox"/>		
6	CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION United States of America		
NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH	7	SOLE VOTING POWER 164,947	
	8	SHARED VOTING POWER 8,594,674**	
	9	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER 164,947	
	10	SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER 8,594,674**	
11	AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON 8,759,621**		
12	CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES (SEE INSTRUCTIONS) <input type="checkbox"/>		
13	PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11) 18.2%		
14	TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (SEE INSTRUCTIONS) IN		

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Introductory Statement

This Amendment No. 4 (this “Amendment”) amends the Schedule 13D originally filed by the Reporting Persons with the Securities and Exchange Commission on April 11, 2016, as amended by Amendment No. 1 filed on June 1, 2016, Amendment No. 2 filed on July 1, 2016 and Amendment No. 3 filed on August 16, 2016 (the “Schedule 13D”), with respect to the shares of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share (the “Common Stock”), of Eagle Bulk Shipping Inc., a Marshall Islands corporation (the “Company”). Except as otherwise provided herein, each Item of the Schedule 13D remains unchanged. Capitalized terms used herein but not otherwise defined shall have the meaning set forth in the Schedule 13D.

Item 4. Purpose of Transaction.

Item 4 is amended and supplemented by adding thereto the following:

The information contained in Item 6 of this Amendment is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 5. Interest in Securities of the Issuer.

Item 5(a) is amended and supplemented by adding thereto the following:

As of the date of this Amendment, each of the Reporting Persons beneficially owns shares of Common Stock in such numbers as set forth on the cover pages of this Amendment. The total number of shares each of the Reporting Persons beneficially owns represents such percentages as set forth on the cover pages to this Amendment of the Common Stock outstanding. The percentages used in this Amendment are calculated based upon (i) the 48,106,827 shares of Common Stock reported to be outstanding as of November 9, 2016 by the Company in its Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on November 9, 2016, plus (ii) the 173 shares of Common Stock issuable upon exercise of warrants held by the Reporting Persons.

Following shareholder approval and the satisfaction or waiver of the closing conditions under the Stock Purchase Agreement (as defined below), the Reporting Persons will acquire beneficial ownership of 2,500,000 shares of Common Stock, pursuant to the terms of the Stock Purchase Agreement.

Item 6. Contracts, Arrangements, Understandings or Relationships with Respect to Securities of the Issuer.

Item 6 is amended and supplemented by adding thereto the following:

On December 13, 2016, the Company, certain Funds and other investors named therein entered into a Stock Purchase Agreement dated December 13, 2016 (the “Stock Purchase Agreement”), pursuant to which such Funds agreed to purchase an aggregate of 2,500,000 shares of Common Stock for an aggregate purchase price of \$11,250,000. The closing under the Stock Purchase Agreement is subject to the conditions specified therein. Such Funds may terminate their obligations under the Stock Purchase Agreement if the transactions contemplated thereby fail to close on or prior to the date that is ten (10) business days following the Company’s Special Meeting (as defined in the Stock Purchase Agreement).

The foregoing description of the Stock Purchase Agreement is qualified by reference to the Stock Purchase Agreement, see Exhibit 99.1 hereto.

Item 7. Material to be filed as Exhibits.

Exhibit 99.1 –Stock Purchase Agreement, dated December 13, 2016 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 of the Company’s Form 8-K filed December 13, 2016).

SIGNATURES

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of each of the undersigned's knowledge and belief, each of the undersigned, severally and not jointly, certifies that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated: December 14, 2016

By: /s/ Steven A. Tananbaum

Steven A. Tananbaum, individually and as senior
managing member of GoldenTree Asset Management LLC
for itself and as the general partner of
GoldenTree Asset Management LP