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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)

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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 April 26, 2007 from Diana Shipping Inc. (the "Company") announcing that its financial results for the first quarter ended March 31, 2007 are scheduled to be released prior to the opening of the U.S. financial markets on Thursday, May 3, 2007.

Exhibit 1

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For Immediate Release

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DIANA SHIPPING INC. SCHEDULES FIRST QUARTER 2007 EARNINGS RELEASE, DIVIDEND DECLARATION AND CONFERENCE CALL

ATHENS, GREECE, April 26, 2007 - Diana Shipping Inc. (NYSE: DSX), a global shipping transportation company specializing in dry bulk cargoes, today announced that its financial results for the first quarter ended March 31, 2007 are scheduled to be released prior to the opening of the U.S. financial markets on Thursday, May 3, 2007.

The declaration of the Company's cash dividend for the quarter ended March 31, 2007 also will be announced at that time.

The Company's management will conduct a conference call and simultaneous Internet webcast to review these results at 10:00 A.M. (Eastern Time) on Thursday, May 3, 2007.

Investors may access the webcast by visiting the Company's website at www.dianashippinginc.com, and clicking on the webcast link. The webcast also is accessible at www.viaavid.net, by clicking on the Diana Shipping link under "Events". The conference call also may be accessed by telephone by dialing 1-866-406-5369 (for U.S.-based callers) or 1-973-582-2847 (for international callers).

A replay of the webcast will be available soon after the completion of the call and will be accessible on both www.dianashippinginc.com and www.viaavid.net. A telephone replay will be available by dialing 1-877-519-4471 (for U.S.-based

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callers) or 1-973-341-3080 (for international callers); callers must use the PIN number 8740128.

About the Company

Diana Shipping Inc. (NYSE: DSX) 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)

Dated: May 2, 2007

By: /s/ Anastassis Margaronis

Anastassis Margaronis
President

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