

NORDIC AMERICAN TANKER SHIPPING LTD  
Form 6-K  
November 19, 2004

FORM 6-K  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D. C. 20549

Report of Foreign Private Issuer  
Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 of  
the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the month of November 2004  
NORDIC AMERICAN TANKER SHIPPING LIMITED  
(Translation of registrant's name into English)

Canon's Court  
22 Victoria Street  
Hamilton HM 12  
Bermuda  
(Address of principal executive offices)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover Form 20-F or Form 40-F.

Form 20-F  Form 40-F

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant by furnishing the information contained in this Form is also thereby furnishing the information to the commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Yes  No

INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS FORM 6-K REPORT

Attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 is the execution copy of the Underwriting Agreement dated November 17, 2004, among Nordic American Tanker Shipping Limited (the "Company") and Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc., UBS Securities LLC and DnB NOR Markets, Inc. Information furnished on this Report of Foreign Private Issuer on Form 6-K shall be deemed to be incorporated by reference as Exhibit 1.1 in the Company's Registration Statement on Form F-3 (File No. 333-118128).

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.

NORDIC AMERICAN TANKER  
SHIPPING LIMITED  
(registrant)

Dated: November 19, 2004

By: /s/ Herbjorn Hansson

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Herbjorn Hansson  
President and  
Chief Executive Officer