

TOP SHIPS INC.
Form 6-K
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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 December 2015

Commission File Number: 000-50859

TOP SHIPS INC.
(Translation of registrant's name into English)

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(Address of principal executive offices)

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INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS FORM 6-K REPORT

Attached as Exhibit 1 to this Report on Form 6-K is a copy of the press release of TOP Ships Inc. (the "Company"), dated December 24, 2015, announcing the \$15 million unsecured revolving credit facility and the assumption of \$3.8 million of Company liabilities.

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.

TOP SHIPS INC.

(registrant)

Dated: December 24, 2015 By: /s/ Evangelos J. Pistiolis
Evangelos J. Pistiolis
Chief Executive Officer

Exhibit 1

TOP SHIPS INC. ANNOUNCES \$15.0 MILLION UNSECURED REVOLVING CREDIT FACILITY AND ASSUMPTION OF \$3.8 MILLION OF COMPANY LIABILITIES

ATHENS, GREECE – December 24, 2015 – TOP Ships Inc. (NasdaqGS: TOPS), an international ship-owning company (the "Company"), announced today that it has entered into an agreement with Family Trading Inc. ("Family Trading"), a company affiliated with its President, Chief Executive Officer and Director, Evangelos J. Pistiolis, pursuant to which, Family Trading will loan up to \$15 million to the Company under an unsecured revolving credit facility (the "Facility"). Borrowings under the Facility may be used to fund only the Company's newbuilding program and working capital relating to the Company's operating vessels. The Facility is repayable in cash no later than December 31, 2016, but this date may be extended until December 31, 2017, at the Company's option.

In connection with the agreement, Family Trading will also assume Company liabilities of approximately \$3.8 million that are immediately due. As consideration for the assumption of these liabilities, Family Trading, or its nominee, will receive 13,558,169 common shares of the Company. The Company has the right to buy back up to 60% of these shares at any time until December 31, 2016.

As a result of the share issuance described above, the exercise price of the Company's outstanding warrants is adjusted to \$0.28 per share.

The transaction described above was approved by a special committee of the independent directors of the Company.

About TOP Ships Inc.

TOP Ships Inc. is an international ship-owning company.

For more information about TOP Ships Inc., visit its website: www.topships.org.

Forward-Looking Statements

Matters discussed in this press release may constitute forward-looking statements. The Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 provides safe harbor protections for forward-looking statements in order to encourage companies to provide prospective information about their business. Forward-looking statements include statements concerning plans, objectives, goals, strategies, future events or performance, and underlying assumptions and other statements, which are other than statements of historical facts.

The Company desires to take advantage of the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 and is including this cautionary statement in connection with this safe harbor legislation. The words "believe," "anticipate," "intends," "estimate," "forecast," "project," "plan," "potential," "may," "should," "expect" "pending" and similar expressions identify forward-looking statements. The forward-looking statements in this press release are based upon various assumptions, many of which are based, in turn, upon further assumptions, including without limitation, our management's examination of historical operating trends, data contained in our records and other data available from third parties. Although we believe 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, we cannot assure you that we will achieve or accomplish these expectations,

beliefs or projections.

In addition to these important factors, other important factors that, in our view, could cause actual results to differ materially from those discussed in the forward-looking statements include the strength of world economies and currencies, general market conditions, including fluctuations in charter rates and vessel values, failure of a seller to deliver one or more vessels or of a buyer to accept delivery of one or more vessels, inability to procure acquisition financing, default by one or more charterers of our ships, changes in the demand for crude oil and petroleum products, changes in demand for dry bulk shipping capacity, changes in our operating expenses, including bunker prices, drydocking and insurance costs, the market for our vessels, availability of financing and refinancing, changes in governmental rules and regulations or actions taken by regulatory authorities, potential liability from pending or future litigation, general domestic and international political conditions, potential disruption of shipping routes due to accidents or political events, vessels breakdowns and instances of off-hires and other factors. Please see our filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission for a more complete discussion of these and other risks and uncertainties.

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