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Form 8-K
January 30, 2004

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): January 30, 2004

NABORS INDUSTRIES LTD.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Bermuda	000-49887	980363970
(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(IRS Employer Identification No.)

2nd Fl. International Trading Centre
Warrens
PO Box 905E
St. Michael, Barbados
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

N/A
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (246) 421-9471

N/A
(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

ITEM 7. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, PRO FORMA FINANCIAL INFORMATION AND EXHIBITS.

(c) Exhibits

Exhibit No. -----	Description -----
99.1	Press Release issued by Nabors Industries Ltd. on January 30, 2004.

ITEM 12. RESULTS OF OPERATIONS AND FINANCIAL CONDITION

On January 30, 2004, the Company issued a press release announcing its results of operations for the three months and twelve months ended December 31, 2003. A copy of that release is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1 in accordance with General Instruction B.6 to Form 8-K.

The press release furnished as an exhibit to this report includes forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Securities Act of 1933 and the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Such forward-looking statements are subject to certain risks and uncertainties, as disclosed by the Company from time to time in its filings with the Securities and

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Exchange Commission. As a result of these factors, the Company's actual results may differ materially from those indicated or implied by such forward-looking statements.

The Company has presented its adjusted cash flow derived from operating activities for all periods presented in the earnings release, which is a "non-GAAP" financial measure under Regulation G. The components of adjusted cash flow derived from operating activities are computed by using amounts which are determined in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP"). Adjusted cash flow derived from operating activities is computed by subtracting direct costs and general and administrative expenses from Operating revenues and then adding Earnings from unconsolidated affiliates. As part of our press release information we have provided a reconciliation, for all periods presented in the release, of adjusted cash flow derived from operating activities to net cash provided by operating activities, which is its nearest comparable GAAP financial measure.

The Company also presented its adjusted income derived from operating activities for all periods presented in the earnings release, which is a "non-GAAP" financial measure under Regulation G. The components of adjusted income derived from operating activities are computed by using amounts which are determined in accordance with GAAP. Adjusted income derived from operating activities is computed by subtracting direct costs, general and administrative expenses, and depreciation, depletion and amortization expense from Operating revenues and then adding Earnings from unconsolidated affiliates. As part of our press release information we have provided a reconciliation of adjusted income derived from operating activities to consolidated income before income taxes, which is its nearest comparable GAAP financial measure.

The Company included its adjusted cash flow derived from operating activities and adjusted income derived from operating activities in the release because management evaluates the performance of its business units and the consolidated Company based on several criteria, including adjusted cash flow derived from operating activities and adjusted income derived from operating activities, and because it believes these financial measures are an accurate reflection of the ongoing profitability of the Company.

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 hereunto duly authorized.

NABORS INDUSTRIES LTD.

Date: January 30, 2004

By: /s/ Daniel McLachlin

Daniel McLachlin
Vice President-Administration &
Secretary

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