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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 UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

For the month of August 2009.
Commission File Number 001-33060

DANAOS CORPORATION

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

**Danaos Corporation
c/o Danaos Shipping Co. Ltd.
14 Akti Kondyli
185 45 Piraeus
Greece**

**Attention: Secretary
011 030 210 419 6480**

(Address of principal executive office)

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- 99.1 Proxy Statement for the 2009 Annual Meeting of Stockholders
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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.

Date: August 12, 2009

DANAOS CORPORATION

By: /s/ DIMITRI J. ANDRITSOYIANNIS

Name: Dimitri J. Andritsoyiannis

Title: *Vice President & Chief Financial Officer*

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