NABORS INDUSTRIES INC Form SC TO-I November 12, 2004

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE TO

Tender Offer Statement under Section 14(d)(1) or 13(e)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

> NABORS INDUSTRIES, INC. (issuer) NABORS INDUSTRIES LTD. (quarantor)

(Name of Subject Company (issuer))

NABORS INDUSTRIES, INC. (issuer) NABORS INDUSTRIES LTD. (guarantor)

(Name of Filing Person (offeror))

ZERO COUPON SENIOR EXCHANGEABLE NOTES DUE 2023

(Title of Class of Securities)

629568AK2 629568AJ5 (CUSIP Number of Class of Securities)

BRUCE M. TATEN VICE PRESIDENT AND GENERAL COUNSEL NABORS CORPORATE SERVICES, INC. 515 WEST GREENS ROAD, SUITE 1200 HOUSTON, TEXAS 77067 (281) 874-0035 (Name, Address and Telephone Number of Person Authorized to Receive Notices and Communications on Behalf of the Person(s) Filing Statement)

> Copy to: RONALD C. BARUSCH SKADDEN, ARPS, SLATE, MEAGHER & FLOM LLP 1440 NEW YORK AVENUE, N.W. WASHINGTON, D.C. 20005 (202) 371-7000

> > CALCULATION OF FILING FEE

AMOUNT OF FILING FEE \$88,690.00

TRANSACTION VALUATION(a)
\$700,000,000

(a) Determined pursuant to Rule 0-11(b)(1) of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. Based upon the maximum amount of cash that might be paid for Nabors Industries, Inc.'s Zero Coupon Senior Exchangeable Notes Due 2023 (the "Old Securities"), guaranteed by Nabors Industries Ltd., assuming that all outstanding Old Securities are purchased at a price of \$1,000 per \$1,000 principal amount. The amount of the filing fee, calculated in accordance with Rule 0-11(b)(1)

and Fee Rate Advisory No. 7 issued by the Securities and Exchange Commission on January 26, 2004, equals \$126.70 per \$1,000,000 of the maximum aggregate price at which Old Securities are proposed to be purchased.

- [] Check box if any part of the fee is offset as provided by Rule 0-11(a)(2) and identify the filing with which the offsetting fee was previously paid. Identify the previous filing by registration statement number, or the form or schedule and the date of its filing.
- [] Check box if the filing relates solely to preliminary communications made before the commencement of a tender offer.

Check the appropriate boxes to designate any transactions to which this statement relates:

| [] | third party tender offer subject to Rule 14d-1 | [] | going-private transactic |
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| [x] | issuer tender offer subject to Rule 13e-4 | [] | amendment to Schedule 13 |

Check the following box if the filing is a final amendment reporting the results of the tender offer. []

This Issuer Tender Offer Statement on Schedule TO relates to an offer (the "Exchange Offer") by Nabors Industries, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company") and the Company's parent, Nabors Industries Ltd., a Bermuda exempted company ("Nabors" and, together with the Company, the "Offerors") to exchange \$1,000 principal amount of the Company's Series B Zero Coupon Senior Exchangeable Notes Due 2023 (the "New Securities"), guaranteed by Nabors, for each \$1,000 principal amount of validly tendered and accepted outstanding of the Company's Zero Coupon Senior Exchangeable Notes Due 2023 (the "Old Securities"), guaranteed by Nabors.

The Exchange Offer is made upon the terms and subject to the conditions contained in the offering circular dated November 12, 2004 (as may be amended and supplemented from time to time, the "Offering Circular") and the related Letter of Transmittal, which are incorporated herein by reference.

This Issuer Tender Offer Statement on Schedule TO is being filed in satisfaction of the reporting requirements of Rule 13e-4(c)(2) promulgated under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

ITEM 1. SUMMARY TERM SHEET.

The information under the heading "Summary Term Sheet" in the Offering Circular is incorporated herein by reference in response to this Item 1.

ITEM 2. SUBJECT COMPANY INFORMATION.

The information under the heading "Summary Term Sheet" in the Offering Circular is incorporated herein by reference in partial response to this Item 2. The Old Securities are traded on the PORTAL market. Set forth below are the high and low closing prices as a percentage of principal amount for the Old Securities for each quarterly period for each fiscal quarter since the Old Securities were first issued on June 10, 2003 (i.e., from June 10, 2003 to November 5, 2004) in each case, as quoted by Bloomberg L.P.

| | HIGH | LOW |
|--|-------|-------|
| YEAR ENDING ON DECEMBER 31, 2004 | | |
| 4th Quarter (from October 1 through November 5, 2004) | 96.75 | 92.00 |
| 3rd Quarter | 95.63 | 89.88 |
| 2nd Quarter | 96.38 | 89.88 |
| 1st Quarter | 97.38 | 91.00 |
| YEAR ENDING ON DECEMBER 31, 2003 | | |
| 4th Quarter | 92.00 | 87.75 |
| 3rd Quarter | 86.46 | 92.85 |
| 2nd Quarter (from June 10, 2003 through June 30, 2003) | 92.65 | 97.57 |

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ITEM 3. IDENTITY AND BACKGROUND OF FILING PERSON.

The information under the heading "Summary Term Sheet" in the Offering Circular is incorporated herein by reference in response to this Item 3. The Offerors constitute the filing person.

The names of the executive officers and directors of the Offerors who are the persons specified in Instruction C to Schedule TO are set forth below:

EXECUTIVE OFFICERS:

NABORS INDUSTRIES, INC.

Eugene M. Isenberg, Chairman Anthony G. Petrello, President & Chief Operating Officer Bruce P. Koch, Vice President - Finance & Chief Financial Officer Christopher Papouras, Secretary

The address of each of the above officers is: 515 West Greens Road, Suite 1200, Houston, Texas 77067.

NABORS INDUSTRIES LTD.

Eugene M. Isenberg, Chairman & Chief Executive Officer Anthony G. Petrello, Deputy Chairman, President & Chief Operating Officer Bruce P. Koch, Vice President & Chief Financial Officer Daniel McLachlin, Vice President - Administration & Secretary

The address of each of the above officers is: 2nd Fl. International Trading Centre, Warrens, St. Michael, Barbados.

DIRECTORS:

NABORS INDUSTRIES, INC.

Malcolm Calkins Christopher Papouras Anthony G. Petrello

The address of each of the above directors is: 515 West Greens Road, Suite 1200, Houston, Texas 77067.

NABORS INDUSTRIES LTD.

Eugene M. Isenberg Alexander M. Knaster James L. Payne Anthony G. Petrello Hans W. Schmidt Myron M. Scheinfeld Jack Wexler Martin J. Whitman

The address of each of the above directors is: 2nd Fl. International Trading Centre, Warrens, St. Michael, Barbados.

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ITEM 4. TERMS OF THE TRANSACTION.

The information under the headings "Material Differences Between the Old Securities and the New Securities," "The Exchange Offer," "Description of the New Securities" and "Certain Material United States Federal Income Tax Consequences" in the Offering Circular is incorporated herein by reference in response to Item 4. No Old Securities are to be purchased from any officer, director or affiliate of the Company.

ITEM 5. PAST CONTACTS, TRANSACTIONS, NEGOTIATIONS AND AGREEMENTS.

None.

ITEM 6. PURPOSES OF THE TRANSACTION AND PLANS OR PROPOSALS.

The information under the headings "Summary Term Sheet" and "The Exchange Offer" in the Offering Circular is incorporated herein by reference in response to this Item 6.

ITEM 7. SOURCE AND AMOUNT OF FUNDS OR OTHER CONSIDERATION.

The information under the headings "Summary Term Sheet" and "Recent Developments" in the Offering Circular is incorporated herein by reference in response to this Item 7.

The consideration for the Old Securities to be purchased by the Company is the issuance of \$1,000 principal amount of New Securities for each \$1,000 principal amount of Old Securities. The total consideration required to purchase all of the outstanding Old Securities is \$700 million principal amount of New Securities.

ITEM 8. INTEREST IN SECURITIES OF THE SUBJECT COMPANY.

None.

ITEM 9. PERSONS/ASSETS, RETAINED, EMPLOYED, COMPENSATED OR USED.

No persons or classes of persons have been directly or indirectly employed, retained or are to be compensated to make solicitations or recommendations in connection with the Exchange Offer.

ITEM 10. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.

(a) (1) The information from pp. 68 to 107 of Exhibit 13 to the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2003 of Nabors Industries Ltd. is incorporated herein by reference in partial response to this Item 10.

(a) (2) The information on pages 2 through 24 of the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2004 of Nabors Industries Ltd. is incorporated herein by reference in partial response to this Item 10.

(a) (3) The information in the Offering Circular under the heading "Ratios of Earnings to Fixed Charges" is incorporated herein by reference in partial answer to this Item 10.

(a)(4) At September 30, 2004, our book value per share was \$18.59.

ITEM 11. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.

- (a) Agreements, Regulatory Requirements and Legal Proceedings.
 - (1) None.

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- (2) The Offerors are required to qualify under the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended, the indenture pursuant to which the New Securities will be issued.
- (3) Not applicable.
- (4) Not applicable.
- (5) Not applicable.
- (b) Other Material Information. None.

ITEM 12. EXHIBITS.

| EXHIBIT NO. | DESCRIPTION |
|--------------|---|
| (a)(1)(i) | Offering Circular, dated November 12, 2004. |
| (a) (1) (ii) | Letter of Transmittal dated November 12, 2004. |
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| (a)(1)(iii) | Letter to Brokers, Dealers, Commercial Banks, Trust Companies and other Nominee |
| (a)(1)(iv) | Letter to Clients, dated November 12, 2004. |
| (a)(1)(v) | Notice of Guaranteed Delivery, dated November 12, 2004. |
| (a)(1)(vi) | Guidelines for Certification of Taxpayer Identification Number on Substitute Fo |
| (a)(1)(vii) | Press Release of Nabors Industries Ltd., dated November 12, 2004. |
| (a)(2) | None. |
| (a)(3) | None. |
| (a)(4) | None. |
| (a)(5) | None. |
| (b) | None. |
| (d) | Indenture of Nabors Industries, Inc. as Issuer and Nabors Industries Ltd. as Gu |
| | Securities. |
| (g) | None. |
| (h) | None. |

ITEM 13. INFORMATION REQUIRED BY SCHEDULE 13E-3.

Not applicable.

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SIGNATURE

After due inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Nabors Industries, Inc.

By: /s/ Bruce P. Koch

Name: Bruce P. Koch Title: Vice President -Finance & Chief Financial Officer

Dated: November 12, 2004

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SIGNATURE

After due inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Nabors Industries Ltd.

By: /s/ Daniel McLachlin

Name: Daniel McLachlin Title: Vice President -Administration & Secretary

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| (a) (2) | None. |
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| (a) (5) | None. |
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| (g) | None. |
| (h) | None. |