

NABORS INDUSTRIES LTD  
 Form 4  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 WHITMAN MARTIN J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 NABORS INDUSTRIES LTD  
 [NBR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 02/08/2005

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

C/O NABORS CORPORATE SERVICES, 515 WEST GREENS ROAD

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

HOUSTON, TX 77067

(City) (State) (Zip)

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D) Price  |   |  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    | 02/08/2005                           |  | M                              | 5,000 A \$ 7  | 162,866 <sup>(1)</sup>  | D  |                                   |

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

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| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----|
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----|

|                              |      |            |            | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title        | Amount or Number of Shares |
|------------------------------|------|------------|------------|------|---|-----|-----|------------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------------------|
| Stock Options (Right to buy) | \$ 7 | 02/08/2005 | 02/08/2005 | M    |   |     |     | 03/07/1996       | 03/07/2005      | Common Stock | 5,000                      |

**Reporting Owners**

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |         |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| WHITMAN MARTIN J<br>C/O NABORS CORPORATE SERVICES<br>515 WEST GREENS ROAD<br>HOUSTON, TX 77067 | X             |           |         |       |

**Signatures**

|  |                     |
|--|---------------------|
| MARTIN J<br>WHITMAN                            | 02/10/2005          |
| <small>**Signature of Reporting Person</small> | <small>Date</small> |

**Explanation of Responses:**

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
  - \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- The shares listed for Mr. Whitman include 162,819 shares of Nabors common stock owned by M. J. Whitman & Co., Inc. Because Mr. (1) Whitman is a majority stockholder in M.J. Whitman & Co., Inc., he may be deemed to have beneficial ownership of the Nabors shares owned by the company. The shares listed for Mr. Whitman also include 47 shares owned directly by Mrs. Whitman.
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