NABORS INDUSTRIES LTD

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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

NABORS INDUSTRIES LTD

Symbol

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

MCLACHLIN DANIEL

			[NBR]				(Check all applicable)				
(Last) C/O NABO SERVICES	(Month/ E 03/22/	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/22/2005				Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below)					
ROAD											
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check				
	Filed(Month/Day/Year)						Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person				
HOUSTON	I, TX 77067						Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(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)	2 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code	4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
Common			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)				
Common Stock	03/22/2005	03/22/2005	M	1,250	A	\$ 27.05	1,666	D			
Common Stock	03/22/2005	03/22/2005	M	2,000	A	\$ 38.75	3,666	D			
Common Stock	03/22/2005	03/22/2005	M	4,500	A	\$ 39.65	8,166	D			
Common Stock	03/22/2005	03/22/2005	M	3,000	A	\$ 45.55	11,166	D			
	03/22/2005	03/22/2005	S	10,750	D		416	D			

Common \$ 59.42 Stock

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)

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. Transactic 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)		(Instr. 3 and 4)		8. D S (I
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 27.05	03/22/2005	03/22/2005	M	1,250	01/22/2003	01/22/2012	Common Stock	1,250	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 38.75	03/22/2005	03/22/2005	M	2,000	02/20/2004	02/20/2013	Common Stock	2,000	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 39.65	03/22/2005	03/22/2005	M	4,500	02/28/2004	02/28/2013	Common Stock	4,500	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 45.55	03/22/2005	03/22/2005	M	3,000	12/04/2001	12/04/2010	Common Stock	3,000	-

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address Director 10% Owner Officer Other

VICE PRESIDENT/ADMINISTRATION

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MCLACHLIN DANIEL C/O NABORS CORPORATE SERVICES 515 WEST GREENS ROAD HOUSTON, TX 77067

Signatures

DANIEL

MCLACHLIN 03/22/2005

**Signature of Reporting Date
Person

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
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