NABORS INDUSTRIES LTD

Form 4

October 27, 2008

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * ISENBERG EUGENE M

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

NABORS INDUSTRIES LTD

(Check all applicable)

[NBR]

(Last) (First) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

X_ Officer (give title below)

Other (specify

10% Owner

(Middle)

10/23/2008

CEO-CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD

C/O NABORS CORPORATE SERVICES, 515 WEST GREENS ROAD

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

X Director

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

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 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) 5. Amount of Transactionr Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

Securities Beneficially Owned Following

Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect

Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

(9-02)

7. Nature of

(A) or

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

(Instr. 4)

Common Stock

10/23/2008 10/23/2008

 $A^{(1)}$

Code V

Amount 2,606,452 Price \$0

(D)

8,496,754 (2)

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	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		4. Transactio	5. orNumber	6. Date Exerc Expiration D		7. Title at Amount of		8. Price of Derivative	9. Nu Deriv
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Reporting Owners

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

ISENBERG EUGENE M C/O NABORS CORPORATE SERVICES 515 WEST GREENS ROAD HOUSTON, TX 77067

X

CEO-CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD

Relationships

Signatures

Lisa Wysocki by Power of Attorney for Eugene M Isenberg

10/27/2008

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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).
- (1) Grant of restricted stock exempt under Rule 16b-3. The restricted stock award vests over three years on a quarterly basis on the calendar quarter end date (e.g., March 31st, June 30th, September 30th and December 31st), commencing March 31, 2009.
- Owned directly or indirectly through certain trusts, defined benefit plans and individual retirement accounts of which Mr. Isenberg is a grantor, trustee, or beneficiary.

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