

KNOT Offshore Partners LP  
Form 6-K  
July 12, 2013

**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 July 2013**

**Commission File Number 001-35866**

**KNOT Offshore Partners LP**

**(Translation of registrant's name into English)**

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(Address of principal executive office)

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**ITEM 1 INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS FORM 6-K REPORT**

On July 12, 2013, KNOT Offshore Partners LP announced that its wholly owned subsidiary KNOT Shuttle Tankers AS had entered into a Share Purchase Agreement (the *Share Purchase Agreement*) with Knutsen NYK Offshore Tankers AS ( *KNOT* ) to acquire from KNOT the company that owns the shuttle tanker *Carmen Knutsen* for a purchase price of \$145.0 million less approximately \$89.1 million of existing bank debt, subject to certain post-closing adjustments. The purchase price will be settled by way of a cash payment of approximately \$45.4 million and with seller financing provided by KNOT in the form of a loan in the amount of approximately \$10.5 million. The acquisition is expected to close on or before August 1, 2013, subject to customary closing conditions.

A copy of the press release announcing entry into the Share Purchase Agreement is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

**ITEM 2 EXHIBITS**

The following exhibits are filed as part of this Report:

99.1 Press Release

**SIGNATURES**

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.

**KNOT OFFSHORE PARTNERS LP**

Date: July 12, 2013

By: /s/ ARILD VIK  
Name: Arild Vik  
Title: Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer