# 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

Date of Report: December 11, 2013

Commission File Number 001-34153

# **GLOBAL SHIP LEASE, INC.**

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its Chatter)

c/o Portland House, Stag Place, London SWIE 5RS, United Kingdom (Address of principal executive office)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover of Form 20-F or Form 40-F.

Form 20-F ⊠ Form 40-F □

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Yes 🗆 No 🗵

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Yes 🗆 No 🗵

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Yes 🗆 No 🗵

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#### Information Contained in this Form 6-K Report

On December 11, 2013, Global Ship Lease, Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release announcing that the Company intends to offer an aggregate principal amount of up to \$400.0 million first priority secured notes due 2021 (the "Notes") in a private placement (the "Offering"). A copy of the press release announcing the Offering is filed as Exhibit 99.1 to this Report and is incorporated herein by reference.

The Offering has not been registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"). The Notes may not be offered or sold within the United States or to U.S. persons, except to "qualified institutional buyers" in reliance on the exemption from registration provided by Rule 144A and to certain persons in offshore transactions in reliance on Regulation S. You are hereby notified that sellers of the Notes may be relying on the exemption from the provisions of Section 5 of the Securities Act provided by Rule 144A. This announcement does not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy Notes in any jurisdiction in which such an offer or sale would be unlawful.

In connection with the Offering, the Company released the information attached as Exhibit 99.2

This Report contains forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements provide the Company's current expectations or forecasts of future events. Forward-looking statements include statements about the Company's expectations, beliefs, plans, objectives, intentions, assumptions and other statements that are not historical facts. Words or phrases such as "anticipate," "believe," "continue," "estimate," "expect," "intend," "may," "ongoing," "plan," "potential," "predict," "project," "will" or similar words or phrases, or the negatives of those words or phrases, may identify forward-looking statements, but the absence of these words does not necessarily mean that a statement is not forward-looking. These forward-looking statements will come to pass. Actual results could differ materially from those expressed or implied by the forward-looking statements as a result of various factors, including the factors described in "Risk Factors" in the Company's Annual Report on Form 20-F. Accordingly, you should not unduly rely on these forward-looking statement to reflect circumstances or events after the date of this Report. The Company undertakes no obligation to publicly revise any forward-looking statement to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events.

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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.

GLOBAL SHIP LEASE, INC.

By: /s/ Ian J. Webber

Ian J. Webber Chief Executive Officer

Date: December 11, 2013

## EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No.	Exhibit
99.1	Press Release issued December 11, 2013 relating to the Offering.
99.2	Information with respect to the Company's existing fleet at October 31, 2013.

### **Global Ship Lease Announces New First Priority Secured Notes Offering**

LONDON, Dec. 11, 2013 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) — Global Ship Lease, Inc. (NYSE:GSL) (the "Company") announced today that it plans to issue an aggregate principal amount of up to \$400,000,000 of first priority secured notes due 2021 (the "Notes") in a private placement (the "Offering"). The Notes will be fully and unconditionally guaranteed, jointly and severally, on a senior basis by Global Ship Lease Services Limited and each of the Company's 17 vessel-owning subsidiaries and in the future by certain of the Company's existing and future restricted subsidiaries, as may be required by the terms of the indenture that will govern the Notes.

On the issue date, the Notes will be secured by first priority ship mortgages on 17 vessels owned by certain subsidiary guarantors (the "Mortgaged Vessels") and certain other associated property and contract rights, as well as share pledges over the subsidiary guarantors that own the Mortgaged Vessels (collectively, the "Initial Collateral"). In the future, vessels, shipping containers and container shipping-related assets and certain other associated property and contract rights may be pledged in addition to or in substitution for Initial Collateral.

The Company intends to use the net proceeds from the Offering, together with cash on hand, to repay all outstanding borrowings under, and terminate, the Company's existing credit facility, to terminate the Company's existing interest rate swap agreements and to pay related expenses.

The Notes have not been registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"). The Notes may not be offered or sold within the United States or to U.S. persons, except to "qualified institutional buyers" in reliance on the exemption from registration provided by Rule 144A and to certain persons in offshore transactions in reliance on Regulation S. You are hereby notified that sellers of the Notes may be relying on the exemption from the provisions of Section 5 of the Securities Act provided by Rule 144A. This announcement does not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy Notes in any jurisdiction in which such an offer or sale would be unlawful.

Application will be made to list the Notes on the Official List of the Irish Stock Exchange and for the Notes to be admitted to trading on the Global Exchange Market thereof.

## **Forward-Looking Statements**

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## Information Regarding the Existing Fleet of Global Ship Lease

Global Ship Lease, Inc. has received valuations of its existing fleet of 17 containerships that show that the simple aggregate of the individual charter-free and with-charter values of such vessels, as at October 31, 2013, were \$350.9 million and \$648.0 million, respectively.