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 OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report: December 11, 2012

Commission File Number 1-32591

SEASPAN CORPORATION

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Unit 2, 7th Floor, Bupa Centre, 141 Connaught Road West, Hong Kong China (Address of principal executive office)

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

Form 20-F ⊠ Form 40-F □

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is submitting the Form 6-K in paper as permitted by Regulation S-T Rule 101(b)(1).

Yes 🗆 No 🗵

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Yes 🗆 No 🗵

THIS REPORT ON FORM 6-K IS HEREBY INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE INTO THE FOLLOWING REGISTRATION STATEMENT OF THE COMPANY:

• REGISTRATION STATEMENT ON FORM F-3 (FILE NO. 333-168938) ORIGINALLY FILED WITH THE SEC ON AUGUST 19, 2010

Item 6 — Exhibits

The following exhibits are filed as part of this Report:

- 1.1 Underwriting Agreement
- 5.1 Opinion of Reeder & Simpson, P.C., Marshall Islands counsel to Seaspan Corporation
- 8.1 Opinion of Perkins Coie LLP, United States counsel to Seaspan Corporation
- 8.2 Opinion of Reeder & Simpson, P.C., Marshall Islands counsel to Seaspan Corporation
- 8.3 Opinion of Farris, Vaughan, Wills & Murphy LLP, Canadian counsel to Seaspan Corporation

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.

SEASPAN CORPORATION

Date: December 11, 2012

By: /s/ Sai W. Chu

Sai W. Chu Chief Financial Officer

SEASPAN CORPORATION

2,700,000 Shares 7.95% Series D Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Shares (\$0.01 par value per share, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share)

Plus an option to purchase from the Company up to 405,000 additional Shares

Underwriting Agreement

New York, New York December 6, 2012

Jefferies & Company, Inc. 520 Madison Avenue New York, NY 10022

Incapital LLC 1800 N. Military Trail Suite 400 Boca Raton, FL 33431

Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC Eleven Madison Avenue New York, NY 10010

As Representatives of the several Underwriters

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Seaspan Corporation, a corporation organized under the laws of the Republic of The Marshall Islands (the "<u>Company</u>"), proposes to sell to the several underwriters named in Schedule II hereto (the "<u>Underwriters</u>"), for whom you (the "<u>Representatives</u>") are acting as representatives, 2,700,000 shares of 7.95% Series D Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Shares, \$0.01 par value, with a liquidation preference of \$25.00 per share (the "<u>Series D Preferred Shares</u>"), of the Company (said shares to be issued and sold by the Company being hereinafter called the "<u>Firm Securities</u>"). The Company also proposes to grant to the Underwriters an option to purchase up to 405,000 additional Series D Preferred Shares (the "<u>Option Securities</u>"; the Option Securities, together with the Firm Securities, being hereinafter called the "<u>Securities</u>"). The Securities shall have the rights, powers and preferences set forth in the Statement of Designation in respect of the Series D Preferred Shares (the "<u>Statement of Designation</u>"). To the extent there are no additional Underwriters listed on Schedule II other than you, the term Representatives as used herein shall mean you, as Underwriters, and the terms Representatives and Underwriters shall mean either the singular or plural as the context requires.

Any reference herein to the Registration Statement, the Basic Prospectus, any Preliminary Final Prospectus or the Final Prospectus shall be deemed to refer to and include the documents incorporated by reference therein pursuant to Item 6 of Form F-3 which were filed under the Exchange Act on or before the Effective Date of the Registration Statement or the issue date of the Basic Prospectus, any Preliminary Final Prospectus or the Final Prospectus, as the case may be; and any reference herein to the terms "amend," "amendment" or "supplement" with respect to the Registration Statement, the Basic Prospectus, any Preliminary Final Prospectus or the Final Prospectus shall be deemed to refer to and include the filing of any document under the Exchange Act after the Effective Date of the Registration Statement or the issue date of the Basic Prospectus, any Preliminary Final Prospectus, as the case may be, deemed to be incorporated therein by reference. Certain terms used herein are defined in Section 20 hereof.

1. <u>Representations and Warranties</u>. The Company represents and warrants to, and agrees with, each Underwriter as set forth below in this Section 1.

(a) The Company meets the requirements for use of Form F-3 under the Act and has prepared and filed with the Commission a shelf registration statement (the file number of which is set forth in Schedule I hereto) on Form F-3, including a related basic prospectus, for registration under the Act of the offering and sale of the Securities, which Registration Statement, including any amendments thereto filed prior to the Applicable Time, has become effective under the Act and no stop order suspending the effectiveness of the Registration Statement has been issued under the Act and no proceedings for that purpose have been instituted or are pending, or to the knowledge of the Company, are threatened. The Company may have filed with the Commission, as part of an amendment to the Registration Statement or pursuant to Rule 424(b), one or more Preliminary Final Prospectuses, each of which has previously been furnished to you and at the time of the filing thereof with the Commission, each such Preliminary Final Prospectus complied in all material respects with the requirements of the Act. The Company will file with the Commission a final prospectus supplement relating to the Securities in accordance with Rule 424(b). As filed, such final prospectus supplement shall contain all information required by the Act and the rules thereunder, and, except to the extent the Representatives shall agree in writing to a modification, shall be in all substantive respects in the form furnished to you prior to the Applicable Time or, to the extent not completed at the Applicable Time, shall contain only such specific additional information and other changes (beyond that contained in the Basic Prospectus and any Preliminary Final Prospectus) as the Company has advised you, prior to the Applicable Time, will be included or made therein. The Registration Statement, at the Applicable Time, meets the requirements set forth in Rule 415(a)(1)(x).

It is understood that the form of prospectus to be used in connection with the offering and sale of the Securities shall have a Canadian "wrap-around" for purposes of distribution to Canadian Persons (the "<u>Canadian OM</u>").

(b) On each Effective Date, the Registration Statement did, and when the Final Prospectus is first filed (if required) in accordance with Rule 424(b) and on the Closing Date (as defined herein) and on any date on which Option Securities are purchased hereunder, if such date is not the Closing Date (an "Option Closing Date"), the Final Prospectus (and any supplement thereto) will, comply in all material respects with the applicable requirements of the Act and the Exchange Act and the respective rules thereunder; on each Effective Date, at the Applicable Time and on the Closing Date, the Registration Statement did not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state any material fact required to be stated therein or necessary in order to make the statements therein not misleading; and on the date of any filing pursuant to Rule 424(b) and on the Closing Date, any Option Closing Date and any settlement date, the Final Prospectus (together with any supplement thereto) will not include any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading; provided, however, that the Company makes no representations or warranties as to the information contained in the Registration Statement or the Final Prospectus (or any supplement thereto) in reliance upon and in conformity with information furnished in writing to the Company by or on behalf of any Underwriter through the Representatives specifically for inclusion in the Registration Statement or the Final Prospectus (or any supplement thereto), it being understood and agreed that the only such information furnished by or on behalf of any Underwriters consists of the information described as such in Section 8 hereof.

(c) Neither (i) the Disclosure Package, when taken together as a whole, nor (ii) any road show that is a "written communication" within the meaning of Rule 433(d)(8)(i), when considered together with the Disclosure Package, contains any untrue statement of a material fact or omits to state any material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading. The preceding sentence does not apply to statements in or omissions from the Disclosure Package based upon and in conformity with written information furnished to the Company by any Underwriter through the Representatives specifically for use therein, it being understood and agreed that the only such information furnished by or on behalf of any Underwriter consists of the information described as such in Section 8 hereof.

(d) (i) At the earliest time after the filing of the Registration Statement that the Company or another offering participant made a *bona fide* offer (within the meaning of Rule 164(h)(2) of the Act) of the Securities and (ii) as of the Applicable Time (with such date being used as the determination date for purposes of this clause (ii)), the Company was not and is not an Ineligible Issuer (as defined in Rule 405), without taking account of any determination by the Commission pursuant to Rule 405 that it is not necessary that the Company be considered an Ineligible Issuer.

(e) Each Issuer Free Writing Prospectus does not include any information that conflicts with the information contained in the Registration Statement, including any document incorporated therein and any prospectus supplement deemed to be a part thereof that has not been superseded or modified. The foregoing sentence does

not apply to statements in any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus based upon and in conformity with written information furnished to the Company by any Underwriter through the Representatives specifically for use therein, it being understood and agreed that the only such information furnished by or on behalf of any Underwriter consists of the information described as such in Section 8 hereof.

(f) The Company and its subsidiaries have been duly incorporated and are existing corporations in good standing under the laws of the Republic of The Marshall Islands, the Commonwealth of the Bahamas, the Bermudas, Canada and the Republic of India, with full corporate power and authority to own or lease, as the case may be, and to operate their properties and conduct their business in all material respects as described in the Disclosure Package and the Final Prospectus; and the Company and its subsidiaries are duly qualified to do business as foreign corporations in good standing in all other jurisdictions in which their ownership or leasing of property or the conduct of their business requires such qualification, except where the failure so to register or qualify would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect. "Material Adverse Effect," as used throughout this Agreement, means a material adverse effect on the condition (financial or otherwise), results of operations, earnings, business, properties or assets or prospects of the Company, whether or not arising from transactions in the ordinary course of business, except as set forth in or contemplated in the Disclosure Package and the Final Prospectus (exclusive of any supplement thereto).

(g) There are no restrictions on subsequent transfers of the Securities under the laws of the Republic of The Marshall Islands.

(h) The Company's authorized equity capitalization is as set forth in the Disclosure Package and the Final Prospectus; the capital stock of the Company conforms in all material respects to the description thereof contained in the Disclosure Package and the Final Prospectus; the outstanding Class A Common Shares, par value \$0.01 per share (the "<u>Common Shares</u>"), Series A Preferred Shares, par value \$0.01 per share (the "<u>Series A Preferred Shares</u>") and Series C Preferred Shares, par value \$0.01 per share (the "<u>Series C Preferred Shares</u>" and, together with the Series A Preferred Shares, the "<u>Existing Preferred Shares</u>"), have been duly and validly authorized and issued and are fully paid and nonassessable; the Firm Securities and the Option Securities have been duly and validly authorized, and, when delivered to and paid for by the Underwriters pursuant to this Agreement, will conform in all material respects to the descriptions thereof contained in the Disclosure Package and the Final Prospectus and will be validly issued in accordance with the Statement of Designation, fully paid and nonassessable; an application will be made for the admission, listing and trading of the Securities on The New York Stock Exchange; the certificates for the Securities are in valid and sufficient form; the holders of outstanding shares of capital stock of the Company are not entitled to preemptive or other rights to subscribe for the Securities that have not been waived; and, except as set forth in the Disclosure Package and the Final Prospectus or other rights to issue, or rights to convert any obligations into or exchange any securities for, shares of capital stock of or ownership interests in the Company are outstanding.

(i) To the Company's knowledge, there is no franchise, agreement, contract, indenture or other document or instrument of a character required to be described in the Registration Statement, the Disclosure Package or the Final Prospectus, or to be filed as an exhibit thereto, which is not described or filed as required.

(j) The documents incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement, each Preliminary Final Prospectus and the Final Prospectus (i) at the time they were or hereafter are filed with the Commission, complied or will comply in all material respects with the requirements of the Exchange Act and (ii) when read together with the other information in the Disclosure Package, at the Applicable Time, and when read together with the other information in the Final Prospectus and at the Closing Date and each Option Closing Date, did not or will not include an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading.

(k) This Agreement has been duly authorized, validly executed and delivered by the Company.

(1) The Company is not and, after giving effect to the offering and sale of the Securities and the application of the proceeds thereof as described in the Disclosure Package and the Final Prospectus, will not be an "investment company" as defined in the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended.

(m) No consent, approval, authorization, filing with or order ("<u>Consent</u>") of any court or governmental agency or body in the United States, the Republic of The Marshall Islands or any other jurisdiction, including, without limitation, the International Maritime Organization (the "<u>IMO</u>"), is required in connection with the transactions contemplated herein, except (i) such as have been obtained under the Act; (ii) such as may be required under the securities laws of Canada (including the filing of the Canadian OM with the applicable Canadian securities regulatory authorities to the extent required under Canadian securities laws and the filing of required reports of exempt distributions and related documents) or the blue sky laws of any jurisdiction in connection with the purchase and distribution of the Securities by the Underwriters in the manner contemplated herein and in the Disclosure Package, the Final Prospectus and the Canadian OM; (iii) such Consents that have been, or prior to the Closing Date will be, obtained; (iv) such Consents that, if not obtained, would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect or materially impair the ability of the Company to perform its obligations under this Agreement or each of the agreements listed in Schedule VI (collectively, the "<u>Operative Agreements</u>"); and (v) such Consents that are not customarily obtained or made prior to the consummation of transactions such as those contemplated by this Agreement and the Operative Agreements, which (A) if not

obtained on or prior to the Closing Date, would not, individually or in the aggregate, have a material adverse effect on the operation of the Company's business and (B) are expected in the reasonable judgment of the Company to be obtained in the ordinary course of business subsequent to the consummation of the transactions.

(n) The Company is not (i) in violation of any provision of its charter or by-laws, or similar organizational documents; (ii) in violation or in default under (and no event that, with notice or lapse of time or both, would constitute such a default has occurred or is continuing under) the terms of any indenture, contract, lease, mortgage, deed of trust, note agreement, loan agreement or other agreement or instrument to which it is a party or bound or to which its property is subject; or (iii) in violation of any statute, law, rule, regulation, judgment, order or decree of any court, regulatory body, administrative agency, governmental body, arbitrator or other authority including, without limitation, the IMO, having jurisdiction over the Company or any of its properties, as applicable, which default or violation, in the case of clauses (ii) or (iii), would, if continued, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, or materially impair the ability of the Company to perform its obligations under this Agreement or the Operative Agreements.

(o) Neither the issue and sale of the Securities, nor the consummation of any other of the transactions herein contemplated nor the fulfillment of the terms hereof will (i) conflict with, or result in a violation of, the charter or by-laws of the Company, (ii) conflict with, or result in a breach or violation of, the terms of any indenture, contract, lease, mortgage, deed of trust, note agreement, loan agreement or other agreement, obligation, condition, covenant or instrument to which the Company is a party or bound or to which its property is subject; (iii) violate any statute, law, rule, regulation, judgment, order or decree applicable to the Company of any court, regulatory body, administrative agency, governmental body, arbitrator or other authority, including, without limitation, the IMO, having jurisdiction over the Company or any of its properties; or (iv) result in the creation or imposition of any lien, charge or encumbrance upon any property or assets of the Company, which conflicts, breaches, violations, defaults or liens, in the case of clauses (ii), (iii) or (iv), would, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

(p) Except as disclosed in the Registration Statement, the Preliminary Final Prospectus and the Final Prospectus, no holders of securities of the Company have current rights to the registration of such securities under the Registration Statement.

(q) The consolidated historical financial statements included in the Preliminary Final Prospectus, the Final Prospectus and the Registration Statement present fairly in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the entities purported to be shown thereby on the basis stated therein as of the dates and for the periods indicated, comply as to form in all material respects with the applicable accounting requirements of the Act and have been prepared in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles applied on a consistent basis throughout the periods involved (except as otherwise noted therein). The

selected financial data set forth under the caption "Selected Historical Consolidated Financial and Operating Data" in the Preliminary Final Prospectus, the Final Prospectus and Registration Statement and under the caption "Selected Financial Data" in the Company's Annual Report on Form 20-F for the year ended December 31, 2011 (the "<u>2011 Annual Report</u>") the Current Report on Form 6-K that contains financial information for the three-month period ended March 31, 2012 (the "<u>Q1 2012 Report</u>"), the Current Report on Form 6-K that contains financial information for the six-month period ended June 30, 2012 (the "<u>Q2 2012 Report</u>") and the Current Report on Form 6-K that contains financial information for the six-month period ended September 30, 2012 (the "<u>Q3 2012 Report</u>" and, together with the Q1 2012 Report and the Q2 2012 Report, the "<u>Quarterly Reports</u>") fairly present, on the basis stated therein, the information included therein. No forward-looking statement (within the meaning of Section 27A of the Act and Section 21E of the Exchange Act) contained under the caption "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" in the 2011 Annual Report and the Quarterly Reports has been made or reaffirmed without a reasonable basis or has been disclosed other than in good faith.

(r) No action, suit or proceeding by or before any court or governmental agency, authority or body, including, without limitation, the IMO, or any arbitrator involving the Company or its property is pending or, to the knowledge of the Company, threatened that (i) would reasonably be expected to have a material adverse effect on the performance by the Company of this Agreement or the consummation by the Company of any of the transactions contemplated hereby or (ii) would reasonably be expected to have a set forth in or contemplated in the Disclosure Package and the Final Prospectus (exclusive of any supplement thereto).

(s) On or as of the Closing Date or the Option Closing Date, as the case may be, the Company will own, lease, possess or otherwise have the right to use all such assets as are necessary to the conduct of its operations as described in the Disclosure Package and the Final Prospectus.

(t) KPMG LLP, who have audited certain financial statements and delivered their report with respect to the audited consolidated financial statements included in or incorporated by reference into the Preliminary Final Prospectus and the Final Prospectus, were and are the independent registered public accounting firm with respect to the Company within the meaning of the Act and the applicable published rules and regulations thereunder.

(u) There are no documentary, stamp or other issuance or transfer taxes or duties or similar fees or charges under U.S. Federal law or the laws of any U.S. state, the Republic of The Marshall Islands, Canada or Hong Kong, or any political subdivision of any thereof, required to be paid in connection with the execution and delivery of this Agreement or the issuance by the Company of the Securities, or the sale and delivery by the Company of the Securities or the consummation of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement.

(v) The Company and its subsidiaries have filed all foreign, United States federal, state and local tax returns that are required to be filed or have requested extensions thereof (except in any case in which the failure so to file would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, except as set forth in or contemplated in the Disclosure Package and the Final Prospectus (exclusive of any supplement thereto)) and have paid all taxes required to be paid by them and any other assessment, fine or penalty levied against them, to the extent that any of the foregoing is due and payable, except for any such assessment, fine or penalty that is currently being contested in good faith and as to which the Company or any of its subsidiaries has set aside adequate reserves in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles or as would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, except as set forth in or contemplated in the Disclosure Package and the Final Prospectus (exclusive of any supplement thereto).

(w) No labor problem or dispute with the employees of the Company, Seaspan Management Services Limited (the "<u>Manager</u>"), Seaspan Ship Management Ltd. (the "<u>Ship Manager</u>"), Seaspan Crew Management Ltd. or Seaspan Advisory Services Limited (the "<u>Advisor</u>") exists or, to the knowledge of the Company, is threatened or imminent, and the Company is not aware of any existing or imminent labor disturbance by the employees of any of its or the Manager's principal suppliers, contractors or customers, that would reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, except as set forth in or contemplated in the Disclosure Package and the Final Prospectus (exclusive of any supplement thereto).

(x) The Company is insured by insurers of recognized financial responsibility against such losses and risks and in such amounts as are reasonably adequate and customary in the businesses in which it is engaged; all policies of insurance and fidelity or surety bonds insuring the Company or its businesses, assets, employees, officers and directors are in full force and effect; the Company is in compliance with the terms of such policies and instruments in all material respects; and there are no claims by the Company under any such policy or instrument as to which any insurance company or other institution is denying liability or defending under a reservation of rights clause; the Company has not been refused any insurance coverage sought or applied for; and the Company has no reason to believe that it will not be able to renew its existing insurance coverage as and when such coverage expires or to obtain similar coverage from similar insurers as may be necessary to continue its business at a cost that would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, except as set forth in or contemplated in the Disclosure Package and the Final Prospectus (exclusive of any supplement thereto).

(y) The Company possesses all licenses, certificates, permits and other authorizations ("<u>Permits</u>") issued by the appropriate federal, state or foreign regulatory authorities necessary to conduct its businesses in the manner described in the Disclosure Package and the Final Prospectus, subject to such qualifications as may be set forth in the Disclosure Package and the Final Prospectus and except for those permits that if not obtained, would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect; and the Company has not received any notice of

proceedings relating to the revocation or modification of any such Permit which, singly or in the aggregate, if the subject of an unfavorable decision, ruling or finding, would reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, except as set forth in or contemplated in the Disclosure Package and the Final Prospectus (exclusive of any supplement thereto).

(z) The Company maintains a system of internal accounting controls sufficient to provide reasonable assurance that (i) transactions are executed in accordance with management's general or specific authorizations; (ii) transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles and to maintain asset accountability; (iii) access to assets is permitted only in accordance with management's general or specific authorization; (iv) the recorded accountability for assets is compared with the existing assets at reasonable intervals and appropriate action is taken with respect to any differences; and (v) the interactive data in eXtensible Business Reporting Language incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement, the Disclosure Package and the Final Prospectus fairly presents the information called for in all material respects and is prepared in accordance with the Commission's rules and guidelines applicable thereto. The Company's internal controls over financial reporting are effective (other than relating to Seaspan Management Services Limited, which the Company acquired in January 2012, the internal controls of which the Company is still assessing) and the Company is not aware of any material weakness in its internal control over financial reporting.

(aa) The Company maintains "disclosure controls and procedures" (as such term is defined in Rule 13a-15(e) under the Exchange Act); such disclosure controls and procedures are effective.

(bb) The Company has not taken, directly or indirectly, any action designed to or that would constitute or that might reasonably be expected to cause or result in, under the Exchange Act or otherwise, stabilization or manipulation of the price of any security of the Company to facilitate the sale or resale of the Securities.

(cc) The Company is (i) in compliance with any and all applicable foreign, federal, state and local laws and regulations, including, without limitation, those of the IMO, relating to the protection of human health and safety, the environment or hazardous or toxic substances or wastes, pollutants or contaminants ("<u>Environmental Laws</u>"), (ii) has received and is in compliance with all permits, licenses or other approvals required of it under applicable Environmental Laws to conduct its businesses and (iii) has not received notice of any actual or potential liability under any Environmental Law, except where such non-compliance with Environmental Laws, failure to receive required permits, licenses or other approvals, or liability would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, except as set forth in the Disclosure Package and the Final Prospectus (exclusive of any supplement thereto). Except as set forth in the Disclosure Package and the Final Prospectus (exclusive of any supplement thereto), the Company has not been named as a "potentially responsible party" under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980, as amended.

(dd) In the ordinary course of its business, the Company periodically reviews the effect of the Environmental Laws on its business, operations and properties, in the course of which it identifies and evaluates associated costs and liabilities (including, without limitation, any capital or operating expenditures required for clean-up, closure of properties or compliance with Environmental Laws or any permit, license or approval, any related constraints on operating activities and any potential liabilities to third parties). On the basis of such review, the Company has reasonably concluded that such associated costs and liabilities would not, singly or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, except as set forth in or contemplated in the Disclosure Package and the Final Prospectus (exclusive of any supplement thereto).

(ee) The Company and its directors and officers, in their capacities as such, are in compliance in all material respects with all applicable provisions of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 and the rules and regulations promulgated in connection therewith (the "<u>Sarbanes-Oxley Act</u>") that are effective and applicable to the Company and its directors and officers.

(ff) Neither the Company nor, to the knowledge of the Company, any director, officer, agent, employee or affiliate of the Company is aware of or has taken any action, directly or indirectly, that would result in a violation by such persons of the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act of 1977, as amended, and the rules and regulations thereunder (the "FCPA"), including, without limitation, making use of the mail or any means or instrumentality of interstate commerce corruptly in furtherance of an offer, payment, promise to pay or authorization of the payment of any money or other property, gift, promise to give, or authorization of the giving of anything of value to any "foreign official" (as such term is defined in the FCPA) or any foreign political party or official thereof or any candidate for foreign political office, in contravention of the FCPA; and the Company and, to the knowledge of the Company, its affiliates have conducted their businesses in compliance with the FCPA and have instituted and maintain policies and procedures designed to ensure, and which are reasonably expected to continue to ensure, continued compliance therewith.

(gg) The operations of the Company are and have been conducted at all times in compliance with applicable financial recordkeeping and reporting requirements of the Currency and Foreign Transactions Reporting Act of 1970, as amended, the money laundering statutes of all applicable jurisdictions, the rules and regulations thereunder and any related or similar rules, regulations or guidelines, issued, administered or enforced by any governmental agency (collectively, the "<u>Money Laundering Laws</u>") and no action, suit or proceeding by or before any court or governmental agency, authority or body or any arbitrator involving the Company with respect to the Money Laundering Laws is pending or, to the knowledge of the Company, threatened.

(hh) None of the Company, any of its subsidiaries or, to the knowledge of the Company, any director, officer, agent, employee or affiliate of the Company or any of its subsidiaries is an individual or entity ("<u>Person</u>") currently the subject or target of any sanctions administered or enforced by the United States Government, including, without limitation, the U.S. Department of the Treasury's Office of Foreign Assets Control ("<u>OFAC</u>"), the United Nations Security Council ("<u>UNSC</u>"), the European Union, Her Majesty's Treasury ("<u>HMT</u>"), or other relevant sanctions authority (collectively, "<u>Sanctions</u>"), nor is the Company located, organized or resident in a country or territory that is the subject of Sanctions; and the Company will not directly or indirectly use the proceeds of the sale of the Securities, or lend, contribute or otherwise make available such proceeds to any subsidiaries, joint venture partners or other Person, to fund any activities of or business with any Person, or in any country or territory, that, at the time of such funding, is the subject of Sanctions or in any other manner that will result in a violation by any Person (including any Person participating in the transaction, whether as underwriter, advisor, investor or otherwise) of Sanctions.

(ii) The Company (A) owns, possesses, licenses or has other rights to use, on reasonable terms, all patents, patent applications, trade and service marks, trade and service mark registrations, trade names, copyrights, licenses, inventions, trade secrets, technology, know-how and other intellectual property (collectively, the "<u>Intellectual Property</u>") necessary for the conduct of the Company's businesses as now conducted, except where the failure to possess such rights would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, and (B) has no reason to believe that the conduct of its businesses will conflict with, and has not received any notice of any claim of conflict with, any such rights of others.

(jj) Neither the Company nor any of its properties or assets has any immunity from the jurisdiction of any court or from any legal process (whether through service or notice, attachment prior to judgment, attachment in aid of execution or otherwise) under the laws of the United States, the Republic of The Marshall Islands, Canada or Hong Kong or any political subdivisions thereof.

(kk) Each of the Operative Agreements has been duly authorized, validly executed and delivered by the Company and its subsidiaries and, to the knowledge of the Company, by the other parties thereto. Each of the Operative Agreements is a valid and binding agreement of the Company and its subsidiaries enforceable against each such party in accordance with its terms, subject to (i) applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, fraudulent transfer, reorganization, moratorium and similar laws relating to or affecting creditors' rights generally and by general principles of equity (regardless of whether such enforceability is considered in a proceeding in equity or at law) and (ii) public policy, applicable law relating to fiduciary duties and indemnification and an implied covenant of good faith and fair dealing. The statements set forth in the Registration Statement, the Preliminary Final Prospectus and the Final Prospectus, insofar as they purport to describe certain terms of the Operative Agreements, fairly summarize the matters described therein.

(11) The Company does not believe that it is a Passive Foreign Investment Company ("<u>PFIC</u>") within the meaning of Section 1296 of the United States Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and, based on the Company's current and expected assets, income and operations as described in the Disclosure Package and the Final Prospectus, the Company does not believe it is likely to become a PFIC.

(mm) No capital gains, income, withholding or other taxes are payable by or on behalf of the Underwriters to the Republic of The Marshall Islands or Canada, or to any political subdivision or taxing authority of either thereof or therein in connection with the sale and delivery by the Company of the Securities to or for the respective accounts of the Underwriters or the sale and delivery by the Underwriters of the Securities to the initial purchasers thereof, aside from any capital gains, income, withholding or other taxes payable by any Underwriter in connection with a business carried on by that Underwriter in the Republic of The Marshall Islands or Canada in respect of the sale and delivery of the Securities.

(nn) All dividends and other distributions declared and payable on the shares of capital stock of the Company, including the Securities, may, under the current laws and regulations of the Republic of The Marshall Islands and any political subdivisions thereof, be paid in United States dollars and may be freely transferred out of the Republic of The Marshall Islands, and all such dividends and other distributions will not be subject to withholding or other taxes under the laws and regulations of the Republic of The Marshall Islands and are otherwise free and clear of any other tax, withholding or deduction under the laws and regulations of the Republic of the Republic of The Marshall Islands and without the necessity of obtaining any consents, approvals, authorizations, orders, licenses, registrations, clearances and qualifications of or with any court or governmental agency or body in the Republic of The Marshall Islands.

(oo) Each of the vessels listed on Schedule IV-A hereto is duly registered as a vessel in the sole ownership of the Company or one of its subsidiaries; the Company or its subsidiary, as applicable, has good and marketable title to all of such owned vessels, free and clear of all liens, claims, charges, debts or encumbrances and defects of the title of record and each such vessel is in good standing with respect to the payment of past and current taxes, fees and other amounts payable under the laws of Hong Kong (for those vessels registered in Hong Kong) as would affect its registry with the Hong Kong Registry and under the laws of Panama (for those vessels registered in Panama) as would affect its registry with The Panama Registry, except, in both cases, for such liens, claims, charges, debts or encumbrances, defects of the title of record, failure to pay such taxes, fees and other amounts (i) as described, and subject to the limitations contained, in the Disclosure Package and Final Prospectus, (ii) as contemplated or provided by the Credit Facilities (as defined below) or (iii) as do not materially affect the value of such vessels, taken as a whole, and do not materially interfere with the use of such vessels, as they have been used in the past and are proposed to be used in the future, as described in the Disclosure Package and the Final Prospectus. With respect to each of the vessels listed on Schedule IV-B hereto held under lease by the Company or one of its subsidiaries, such vessels are

held under valid and subsisting and enforceable leases (except as may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, fraudulent transfer, reorganization, moratorium and similar laws relating to or affecting creditors' rights generally and by general principles of equity (regardless of whether such enforceability is considered in a proceeding in equity or at law)), with such exceptions as do not materially interfere with the use of the vessels of the Company or its subsidiaries, taken as a whole as they have been used in the past as described in the Disclosure Package and the Final Prospectus and are proposed to be used in the future as described in the Disclosure Package and the Final Prospectus.

(pp) Since the date of the latest audited financial statements included in the Disclosure Package and the Final Prospectus and other than as set forth in or contemplated by the Disclosure Package and the Final Prospectus, (i) the Company has not sustained any material loss or interference with its business from fire, explosion, flood or other calamity, whether or not covered by insurance, or from any labor dispute or court or governmental action, investigation, order or decree, (ii) there has not been any material change in the capitalization or material increase in the short-term debt or long-term debt of the Company or any material adverse change, or any development involving or which could reasonably be expected to involve, individually or in the aggregate, a prospective material adverse change in or affecting the general affairs, condition (financial or otherwise), results of operations, business, properties or assets or prospects of the Company, and (iii) the Company has not incurred any liability or obligation, direct, indirect or contingent, or entered into any transactions, whether or not in the ordinary course of business, that, individually or in the aggregate, is material to the Company.

(qq) Except as set forth in the Disclosure Package and the Final Prospectus, the Company is not prohibited, directly or indirectly, from paying any dividends, from making any other distribution, from repaying any loans or advances or from transferring any of its property or assets.

(rr) The statistical and market-related data included in the Disclosure Package, the Final Prospectus and the Registration Statement are based on or derived from sources which the Company believe to be reliable and accurate.

(ss) The statements set forth in the Preliminary Final Prospectus and the Final Prospectus under the caption "Business— Taxation of the Company—Canadian Taxation" that constitute factual matters, intentions, expectations and beliefs relating to the Company are accurate in all material respects.

Any certificate signed by any officer of the Company and delivered to the Representatives or counsel for the Underwriters in connection with the offering of the Securities shall be deemed a representation and warranty by the Company, as to matters covered thereby, to each Underwriter.

2. <u>Purchase and Sale.</u> (a) Subject to the terms and conditions and in reliance upon the representations and warranties herein set forth, the Company agrees to sell to each

Underwriter, and each Underwriter agrees, severally and not jointly, to purchase from the Company, at the purchase price set forth in Schedule I hereto, the number of the Firm Securities set forth opposite such Underwriter's name in Schedule II hereto.

(b) Subject to the terms and conditions and in reliance upon the representations and warranties herein set forth, the Company hereby grants an option to the several Underwriters to purchase, severally and not jointly, up to an aggregate of 405,000 Option Securities at the same purchase price per share as the Underwriters shall pay for the Firm Securities. Said option may be exercised in whole or in part at any time and from time to time on or before the 30th day after the date of this Agreement upon written or telegraphic notice by the Representatives to the Company setting forth the number of Option Securities as to which the several Underwriters are exercising the option and the Option Closing Date. The number of Option Securities to be purchased by each Underwriter shall be the same percentage of the total number of shares of the Option Securities to be purchased by the several Underwriter as such Underwriter is purchasing of the Firm Securities, subject to such adjustments as you in your absolute discretion shall make to eliminate any fractional shares.

3. <u>Delivery and Payment</u>. Delivery of and payment for the Firm Securities and the Option Securities (if the option provided for in Section 2(b) hereof shall have been exercised on or before the second Business Day immediately preceding the Closing Date) shall be made at the location, on the date and at the time specified on Schedule I hereto or at such time on such later date not more than three Business Days after the foregoing date as the Representatives shall designate, which date and time may be postponed by agreement between the Representatives and the Company or as provided in Section 9 hereof (such date and time of delivery and payment for the Securities being herein called the "<u>Closing Date</u>"). Delivery of the Securities shall be made to the Representatives for the respective accounts of the several Underwriters against payment by the several Underwriters through the Representatives of the purchase price thereof to or upon the order of the Company by wire transfer payable in same-day funds to an account specified by the Company. Delivery of the Firm Securities and the Option Securities shall be made through the facilities of The Depository Trust Company ("<u>DTC</u>") unless the Representatives shall otherwise instruct.

If the option provided for in Section 2(b) hereof is exercised after the second Business Day immediately preceding the Closing Date, the Company will deliver the Option Securities (at the expense of the Company) to the Representatives on the date specified by the Representatives (which shall be within three Business Days after exercise of said option) for the respective accounts of the several Underwriters, against payment by the several Underwriters through the Representatives of the purchase price thereof to or upon the order of the Company by wire transfer payable in same-day funds to an account specified by the Company. If settlement for the Option Securities occurs after the Closing Date, the Company will deliver to the Representatives on the Option Closing Date for the Option Securities, and the obligation of the Underwriters to purchase the Option Securities shall be conditioned upon receipt of, supplemental opinions, certificates and letters confirming as of such date the opinions, certificates and letters delivered on the Closing Date pursuant to Section 6 hereof.

4. <u>Offering by Underwriters.</u> It is understood that the several Underwriters propose to offer the Securities for sale to the public as set forth in the Final Prospectus and the Canadian OM.

5. Agreements. The Company agrees with the several Underwriters that:

(a) Prior to the termination of the offering of the Securities, the Company will not file any amendment of the Registration Statement or supplement (including the Final Prospectus or any Preliminary Final Prospectus) to the Basic Prospectus or any Rule 462(b) Registration Statement unless the Company has furnished you a copy for your review prior to filing and will not file any such proposed amendment or supplement to which you reasonably object. The Company will cause the Final Prospectus, properly completed, and any supplement thereto to be filed in a form approved by the Representatives with the Commission pursuant to the applicable paragraph of Rule 424(b) within the time period prescribed and will provide evidence satisfactory to the Representatives of such timely filing. The Company will promptly advise the Representatives (i) when the Final Prospectus, and any supplement thereto, shall have been filed (if required) with the Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) or when any Rule 462(b) Registration Statement shall have been filed with the Commission, (ii) when, prior to termination of the offering of the Securities, any amendment to the Registration Statement shall have been filed or become effective, (iii) of any request by the Commission or its staff for any amendment of the Registration Statement, or for any supplement to the Final Prospectus or for any additional information, (iv) of the issuance by the Commission of any stop order suspending the effectiveness of the Registration Statement or of any notice that would prevent its use or the institution or threatening of any proceeding for that purpose and (v) of the receipt by the Company of any notification with respect to the suspension of the qualification of the Securities for sale in any jurisdiction or the institution or threatening of any proceeding for such purpose. The Company will use its commercially reasonable efforts to prevent the issuance of any such stop order or the occurrence of any such suspension or prevention and, upon such issuance, occurrence or prevention, to obtain as soon as possible the withdrawal of such stop order or relief from such occurrence or prevention, including, if necessary, by filing an amendment to the Registration Statement or a new registration statement and using its commercially reasonable efforts to have such amendment or new registration statement declared effective as soon as practicable.

(b) If there occurs an event or development as a result of which the Disclosure Package would include an untrue statement of a material fact or would omit to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances then prevailing, not misleading, the Company will notify promptly the Representatives so that any use of the Disclosure Package may cease until it is amended or supplemented.

(c) If, at any time when a prospectus relating to the Securities is required to be delivered under the Act (including in circumstances where such requirement may be satisfied pursuant to Rule 172), any event occurs as a result of which the Final

Prospectus as then supplemented would include any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state any material fact necessary to make the statements therein in the light of the circumstances under which they were made not misleading, or if it shall be necessary to amend the Registration Statement, file a new registration statement or supplement the Final Prospectus to comply with the Act or the Exchange Act or the respective rules thereunder, including in connection with use or delivery of the Final Prospectus, the Company promptly will (i) notify the Representatives of such event, (ii) prepare and file with the Commission, subject to the first sentence of paragraph (a) of this Section 5, an amendment or supplement or new registration statement which will correct such statement or omission or effect such compliance, (iii) use its commercially reasonable efforts to have any amendment to the Registration Statement or new registration statement declared effective as soon as practicable in order to avoid any disruption in use of the Final Prospectus and (iv) supply any supplemented Final Prospectus to you in such quantities as you may reasonably request.

(d) As soon as practicable, the Company will make generally available to its security holders and to the Representatives an earnings statement or statements of the Company and its subsidiaries which will satisfy the provisions of Section 11(a) of the Act and Rule 158.

(e) The Company will furnish to the Representatives and counsel for the Underwriters signed copies of the Registration Statement (including exhibits thereto) and to each other Underwriter a copy of the Registration Statement (without exhibits thereto) and, so long as delivery of a prospectus by an Underwriter or dealer may be required by the Act (including in circumstances where such requirement may be satisfied pursuant to Rule 172), as many copies of each Preliminary Final Prospectus, the Final Prospectus and each Issuer Free Writing Prospectus and any supplement thereto as the Representatives may reasonably request.

(f) The Company will arrange, if necessary, for the qualification of the Securities for sale under the laws of such jurisdictions as the Representatives may reasonably designate and will maintain such qualifications in effect so long as reasonably required for the distribution of the Securities; provided that in no event shall the Company be obligated to qualify to do business in any jurisdiction where it is not now so qualified or to take any action that would subject it to service of process in suits, other than those arising out of the offering or sale of the Securities, in any jurisdiction where it is not now so subject.

(g) The Company agrees that, unless it obtains the prior written consent of the Representatives, and each Underwriter, severally and not jointly, agrees with the Company that, unless it has obtained or will obtain, as the case may be, the prior written consent of the Company, it has not made and will not make any offer relating to the Securities that would constitute an Issuer Free Writing Prospectus or that would otherwise constitute a "free writing prospectus" (as defined in Rule 405) required to be filed by the Company with the Commission or retained by the Company under Rule 433; <u>provided</u> that the prior written consent of the parties hereto shall be deemed

to have been given in respect of the Free Writing Prospectuses included in Schedule III hereto. Any such free writing prospectus consented to by the Representatives or the Company is hereinafter referred to as a "<u>Permitted Free Writing Prospectus</u>." The Company agrees that (x) it has treated and will treat, as the case may be, each Permitted Free Writing Prospectus as an Issuer Free Writing Prospectus and (y) it has complied and will comply, as the case may be, with the requirements of Rules 164 and 433 applicable to any Permitted Free Writing Prospectus, including in respect of timely filing with the Commission, legending and record keeping. If at any time following issuance of an Issuer Free Writing Prospectus or occurs an event or development as a result of which such Issuer Free Writing Prospectus or the Final Prospectus or included or would conflict with the information contained in the Registration Statement, the Preliminary Final Prospectus or the Final Prospectus or included or would include an untrue statement of a material fact or omitted or would omit to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances prevailing at that subsequent time, not misleading, the Company will promptly notify the Representatives and will promptly amend or supplement, at its own expense, such Issuer Free Writing Prospectus to eliminate or correct such conflict, untrue statement or omission.

(h) The Company will not, without the prior written consent of Jefferies & Company, Inc., Incapital LLC and Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC, offer, sell, contract to sell, pledge, or otherwise dispose of, (or enter into any transaction which is designed to, or might reasonably be expected to, result in the disposition (whether by actual disposition or effective economic disposition due to cash settlement or otherwise) by the Company or any affiliate of the Company or any person in privity with the Company or any affiliate of the Company) directly or indirectly, including the filing (or participation in the filing) of a registration statement with the Commission in respect of, or establish or increase a put equivalent position or liquidate or decrease a call equivalent position within the meaning of Section 16 of the Exchange Act, any Existing Preferred Shares or any securities convertible into, or exercisable, or exchangeable for, Existing Preferred Shares; or publicly announce an intention to effect any such transaction, for a period of 45 days after the date of this Agreement, <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that the Company may issue and sell Existing Preferred Shares pursuant to any employee stock option plan, stock ownership plan or dividend reinvestment plan of the Company described in the Disclosure Package and the Final Prospectus (exclusive of any supplement thereto).

(i) The Company will comply in all material respects with all applicable securities and other applicable laws, rules and regulations, including, without limitation, the Sarbanes-Oxley Act, and will use its commercially reasonable efforts to cause the Company's directors and officers, in their capacities as such, to comply with such laws, rules and regulations, including, without limitation, the provisions of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act.

(j) The Company will not take, directly or indirectly, any action designed to or that would constitute or that might reasonably be expected to cause or result in, under the Exchange Act or otherwise, stabilization or manipulation of the price of any security of the Company to facilitate the sale or resale of the Securities.

(k) The Company will cooperate with the Underwriters in preparing a final term sheet containing a description of the Securities, in a form approved by the Underwriters and attached as Annex A hereto, and will file such term sheet pursuant to Rule 433(d) under the Act within the time required by such rule (such term sheet, the "<u>Final Term Sheet</u>"). Any such Final Term Sheet is an Issuer Free Writing Prospectus for purposes of this Agreement.

(1) The Company agrees to pay the costs, fees and expenses relating to the following matters: (i) the preparation, printing or reproduction and, if applicable, filing with the Commission of the Registration Statement (including financial statements and exhibits thereto), each Preliminary Final Prospectus, each Free Writing Prospectus, the Final Prospectus or Final Prospectus with a Canadian OM and each amendment or supplement to any of them; (ii) the printing (or reproduction) and delivery (including postage, air freight charges and charges for counting and packaging) of such copies of the Registration Statement, each Preliminary Final Prospectus, the Final Prospectus or Final Prospectus with a Canadian OM and all amendments or supplements to any of them, as may, in each case, be reasonably requested for use in connection with the offering and sale of the Securities; (iii) the preparation, printing, authentication, issuance and delivery of certificates for the Securities, including any stamp or transfer taxes in connection with the original issuance and sale of the Securities; (iv) the registration of the Securities under the Exchange Act and the listing of the Securities on The New York Stock Exchange; (v) any registration or qualification of the Securities for offer and sale under the securities or blue sky laws of the several states (including filing fees and the reasonable fees and expenses of counsel for the Underwriters relating to such registration and qualification); (vi) any filings required to be made with the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority ("FINRA") or the applicable Canadian securities regulatory authorities (including filing fees and the reasonable fees and expenses of counsel for the Underwriters relating to such filings); (vii) the transportation and other expenses incurred by or on behalf of Company representatives in connection with presentations to prospective purchasers of the Securities; (viii) the fees and expenses of the Company's accountants and the fees and expenses of counsel (including local and special counsel) for the Company; and (ix) all other costs, fees and expenses incident to the performance by the Company of its obligations hereunder. Jefferies & Company, Inc. will contribute \$58,000 to the Company's expenses in connection with the offering. It is understood, however, that except as provided in this subsection (1), and Sections 7 and 8 hereof, the Underwriters will pay all of their own costs and expenses, including fees and disbursements of their counsel, transfer taxes payable on the resale of any of the Securities by them, the transportation and other expenses incurred by or on their behalf in connection with presentations by Company representatives to prospective purchasers of Securities and any advertising expenses connected with any offers they may make.

(m) The Company will use the net proceeds received by it from the sale of the Securities in the manner specified in the Preliminary Final Prospectus and the Final Prospectus under "Use of Proceeds".

(n) The Company shall use commercially reasonable efforts to effect the admission, listing and trading of the Securities on The New York Stock Exchange within 30 days of the Closing Date or the Option Closing Date, as the case may be.

6. <u>Conditions to the Obligations of the Underwriters.</u> The obligations of the Underwriters to purchase the Firm Securities and the Option Securities, as the case may be, shall be subject to the accuracy of the representations and warranties on the part of the Company contained herein as of the Applicable Time, the Closing Date and any Option Closing Date pursuant to Section 3 hereof, to the accuracy of the statements of the Company made in any certificates pursuant to the provisions hereof, to the performance by the Company of its obligations hereunder and to the following additional conditions:

(a) The Preliminary Final Prospectus and the Final Prospectus, and any supplement thereto, have been filed in the manner and within the time period required by Rule 424(b); any other material required to be filed by the Company pursuant to Rule 433(d) under the Act shall have been filed with the Commission within the applicable time periods prescribed for such filings by Rule 433; the Registration Statement is effective and no stop order suspending the effectiveness of the Registration Statement or any notice that would prevent its use shall have been issued and no proceedings for that purpose shall have been instituted or threatened.

(b) The Company shall have filed with the Registrar of Corporations of the Republic of The Marshall Islands, and the Registrar of Corporations will have accepted, the Statement of Designation in respect of the Series D Preferred Shares.

(c) The Company shall have requested and caused Perkins Coie LLP, United States counsel for the Company, to have furnished to the Representatives their opinion, dated the Closing Date or the Option Closing Date, as the case may be, and addressed to the Representatives, to the effect that:

(i) The Registration Statement has been declared effective by the Commission. To such counsel's knowledge, no stop order suspending effectiveness of the Registration Statement has been issued under the Act, and no proceedings for this purpose have been instituted or are pending or threatened by the Commission. Any required filing of the Preliminary Final Prospectus and the Final Prospectus and any supplement thereto pursuant to Rule 424(b) under the Act has been made in the manner and within the time period required by Rule 424(b) (without reference to 424(b)(8)). Without independent verification of the factual accuracy, completeness or fairness of any statements made in the Registration Statement, the Preliminary Final Prospectus and the Final Prospectus each (except for the financial statements and financial schedules and other financial information included therein, as to which we express no opinion), appears on its face to be appropriately responsive in all material respects to the requirements of the Act and the applicable rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder;

(ii) The statements set forth in the 2011 Annual Report incorporated by reference into the Registration Statement, the Preliminary Final Prospectus and the Final Prospectus under the caption "Risk Factors—Tax Risks—We, or any of our subsidiaries, may become subject to income tax in jurisdictions in which we are organized or operate, including the United States, Canada and Hong Kong, which would reduce our earnings and potentially cause certain shareholders to be subject to tax in such jurisdictions," "Risk Factors—Tax Risks—U.S. tax authorities could treat us as a "passive foreign investment company," which could have adverse U.S. federal income tax consequences to U.S. shareholders" and "Risk Factors—Tax Risks—The preferential tax rates applicable to qualified dividend income are temporary," insofar as such statements summarize legal matters discussed therein, are, in all material respects, accurate summaries of such legal matters; and the description of the statutes and regulations set forth in the Preliminary Final Prospectus and the Final Prospectus under the caption "Business—Environmental and Other Regulations—United States," accurately describes in all material respects the portions of the statutes and regulations addressed thereby; provided, however, that such counsel need express no opinion with respect to any laws other than those of the United States;

(iii) The statements in the Preliminary Final Prospectus and the Final Prospectus under the captions "Business—Taxation of the Company— United States Taxation" and "Material U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations," with respect to legal matters or legal conclusions, in all material respects, is an accurate discussion of the material U.S. federal income tax considerations addressed therein (we do not opine or comment on the representations and statements of fact of the Company included in such discussion.). The opinion of Perkins Coie LLP to be filed as Exhibit 8.1 to the Report on Form 6-K furnished to the Commission on or before the Closing Date, and to be incorporated by reference into the Registration Statement is confirmed and the Underwriters may rely on such as if it were addressed to them;

(iv) Insofar as matters of United States Federal law are concerned, to such counsel's knowledge, (i) there are no legal or governmental proceedings pending or threatened against the Company or to which the Company is a party or to which any of its properties is subject that are required to be described in the Registration Statement, the Preliminary Final Prospectus and the Final Prospectus but are not so described as required and (ii) there are no agreements, contracts, indentures, leases or other documents or instruments that are required to be described in the Registration Statement, the Preliminary Final Prospectus or the Final Prospectus or to be filed as exhibits to the Registration Statement that are not described or filed as required;

(v) The Company is not, and immediately upon receipt of payment for the Securities, and the application of the proceeds thereof as described in the Disclosure Package and the Final Prospectus, will not be, an "investment company" as defined in the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended;

(vi) All consents, approvals, authorizations or other orders of, or registrations or filings on the part of the Company with any United States federal governmental or regulatory authority required for the issuance of the Securities and the consummation of the transactions contemplated in this Agreement, the Preliminary Final Prospectus and the Final Prospectus have been made or obtained, or will be effective as of the date of the opinion;

(vii) Without independent verification of the factual accuracy, completeness or fairness of any statements made therein, the documents incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference into the Registration Statement, the Preliminary Final Prospectus and the Final Prospectus, when each became effective or was filed with the Commission, as the case may be, each (except for the financial statements and financial schedules, and other financial and statistical information included therein, as to which such counsel need express no opinion), appears on its face to be appropriately responsive in all material respects to the requirements of the Exchange Act and the applicable rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder;

(viii) The issue and sale of the Securities will not (i) result in a breach or the imposition of any lien, charge or encumbrance upon any property or assets of the Company pursuant to the terms of any indenture, contract, lease, mortgage, deed of trust, note agreement, loan agreement or other agreement or instrument filed as an exhibit to the Registration Statement (including any document filed as an exhibit to any document incorporated by reference into the Registration Statement) to which the Company is a party or bound or to which its property is subject, which breaches or impositions of such lien, charge or encumbrance would, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect; or (ii) violate any statute, law, rule or regulation (other than U.S. federal securities, state or foreign securities or blue sky or anti-fraud statutes, laws, rules or regulations, laws and regulations relating to commodity (and other) futures and indices and other similar instruments, and the rules and regulations of FINRA), or any judgment, order or decree to the knowledge of such counsel applicable to the Company of any court, regulatory body, administrative agency, governmental body, arbitrator or other authority having jurisdiction over the Company or any of its properties, which violations would, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect; and

(ix) Except as disclosed in the Registration Statement, the Preliminary Final Prospectus and the Final Prospectus, to the knowledge of such counsel, no holders of securities of the Company have current rights to the registration of such securities under the Registration Statement.

In addition, such counsel shall state that, such counsel has participated in conferences with officers and other representatives of the Company, representatives of the Underwriters and representatives of the independent auditors of the Company at which the contents of the Registration Statement, the Preliminary Final Prospectus and the Final Prospectus and any amendments or supplements thereto were discussed. Such counsel shall state that, although such counsel assumes no responsibility for the factual accuracy, completeness or fairness of any statements (other than as set forth in paragraph (ii) and (iii) above, subject to the assumptions, exclusions and qualifications set forth in such counsel's opinion) made in (a) the Registration Statement or any amendment thereto, (b) the Preliminary Final Prospectus or any amendment or supplement thereto, or (d) the documents incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement or any further amendment or supplement thereto, nothing has come to such counsel's attention that causes such counsel to believe that:

a. the Registration Statement or the prospectus included therein (except for the financial statements and financial schedules and other financial information included therein, as to which such counsel need not comment) as of its most recent Effective

Date contained any untrue statement of a material fact or omitted to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading, or

- b. the Final Prospectus (except for the financial statements and financial schedules and other financial information included therein, as to which such counsel need not comment) as of its date, or as amended or supplemented, if applicable, as of the Closing Date or the Option Closing Date, as the case may be, contained or contains any untrue statement of a material fact or omitted or omits to state a material fact necessary to make the statements therein, in light of the circumstances in which they were made, not misleading, or
- c. the Disclosure Package (except for any financial statements and financial schedules and other financial information included therein, as to which such counsel need not comment) as of its date or as amended or supplemented, if applicable, as of the Applicable Time contained or contains any untrue statement of a material fact or omitted or omits to state a material fact necessary to make the statements therein, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading.

In rendering such opinion, such counsel may (A) rely in respect of matters of fact upon certificates of officers and employees of the Company and upon information obtained from public officials, (B) assume that all documents submitted to them as originals are authentic, that all copies submitted to them conform to the originals thereof, and that the signatures on all documents examined by them are genuine, and (C) state that their opinion is limited to United States Federal laws. References to the Final Prospectus in this paragraph (c) shall also include any supplements thereto at the Closing Date or the Option Closing Date, as the case may be.

(d) The Company shall have requested and caused Farris, Vaughan, Wills & Murphy LLP, Canadian tax counsel for the Company, to have furnished to the Representatives their opinion, dated the Closing Date or the Option Closing Date, as the case may be, and addressed to the Representatives, to the effect that:

(i) All statements of legal conclusions contained under the caption "Non-United States Tax Consequences—Canadian Federal Income Tax Consequences" in the Preliminary Final Prospectus and the Final Prospectus and under the caption "Non-U.S. Tax Considerations—Canadian Federal Income Tax Consequences" in the Registration Statement and the Basic Prospectus are correct and accurate with respect to the matters set forth therein as of the Closing Date or the Option Closing Date, as the case may be, and such counsel is of the opinion that the statements under the caption "Non-United States Tax Consequences—Canadian Federal Income Tax Consequences" in the Preliminary Final Prospectus and the Final Prospectus and under the caption "Non-U.S. Tax Considerations—Canadian Federal Income Tax Consequences" in the Registration Statement and the Basic Prospectus, with respect to those matters as to which no legal conclusions are provided, are an accurate discussion of the Canadian federal income tax matters applicable to those holders who acquire Securities in connection with the offering thereof;

(ii) The statements set forth in the Preliminary Final Prospectus and the Final Prospectus under the caption "Business—Taxation of the Company —Canadian Taxation" accurately describe the Canadian income tax matters described therein; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, with respect to the opinion referred to in the immediately preceding sentence only, such counsel need express no opinion or comment on any representation or statement of fact, intention or assumption, or of risk (except to the extent of any conclusion of law set out under such caption), or of a general nature (except to the extent of any conclusion of law set out under such caption), made by or on behalf of the Company in the Preliminary Final Prospectus or the Final Prospectus including, but without restricting the generality of the forgoing, the following statements under such caption: "It is not our current intention that our central management and control be exercised in Canada"; "Based on our operations, we do not believe that we are, nor do we expect to be, resident in Canada on our operation that carries on an international shipping business, as described in the previous sentence, in the Republic of The Marshall Islands is exempt from income tax under the current laws of the Republic of The Marshall Islands"; and "We expect that we will qualify for these statutory exemptions under the Canada Tax Act. Based on our operations, we do not believe that we are, nor do we expect to be, carrying on a business in Canada for purposes of the Canada Tax Act other than a business that would provide us with these statutory exemptions from Canadia Tax Act other than a business that would provide us with these statutory exemptions from Canadian income tax".

The opinion of such counsel set forth in the two preceding paragraphs may be based on the provisions of the Canada Tax Act and the regulations thereunder in force as of the date of such opinion, all specific proposals to amend the Canada Tax Act and the regulations thereunder which have been publicly announced by or on behalf of the Minister of Finance (Canada) prior to the date of such opinion (the "<u>Proposed Amendments</u>") and such counsel's understanding of existing case law and the current published administrative policies and assessing practices of the Canada Revenue Agency. There can be no assurance that the Proposed Amendments will be implemented in their current form or at all. Such opinion will not otherwise take into account or anticipate any changes in law, whether by legislative, governmental or judicial decision or action, and will not take into account provincial, territorial or foreign tax legislation or considerations;

References to the Final Prospectus in this paragraph (d) shall also include any supplements thereto at the Closing Date or the Option Closing Date, as the case may be.

(e) The Company shall have requested and caused Dennis J. Reeder, Reeder & Simpson, P.C., Marshall Islands counsel for the Company, to have furnished to the Representatives their opinion, dated the Closing Date or the Option Closing Date, as the case may be, and addressed to the Representatives, to the effect that:

(i) The Company has been duly incorporated and is validly existing as a corporation in good standing under the laws of the Republic of The Marshall Islands, with full corporate power and authority to own or lease, as the case may be, and to operate its properties and conduct its business in all material respects as described in the Disclosure Package and the Final Prospectus;

(ii) The Company's authorized equity capitalization is as set forth in the Disclosure Package and the Final Prospectus; the capital stock of the Company conforms in all material respects to the description thereof contained in the Disclosure Package and the Final Prospectus; the outstanding Common Shares and the Existing Preferred Shares have been duly and validly authorized and issued and are fully paid and nonassessable; the Firm Securities and the Option Securities, as the case may be, will be duly and validly authorized, and, when delivered to and paid for by the Underwriters pursuant to this Agreement, will conform in all material respects to the descriptions thereof contained in the Disclosure Package and the Final Prospectus and will be validly issued in accordance with the Statement of Designation, fully paid and nonassessable; the certificates for the Securities are in valid and sufficient form; the holders of outstanding shares of capital stock of the Company are not entitled to preemptive or other rights to subscribe for the Securities that have not been waived; and, except as set forth in the Final Prospectus, no options, warrants or other rights to purchase, agreements or other obligations to issue, or rights to convert any obligations into or exchange any securities for, shares of capital stock of or ownership interests in the Company are outstanding;

(iii) To the knowledge of such counsel, there is no pending or threatened action, suit or proceeding by or before any court or governmental agency, authority or body of the Republic of The Marshall Islands or any arbitrator involving the Company or its property of a character required to be disclosed in the Registration Statement which is not adequately disclosed in the Disclosure Package and the Final Prospectus; and the statements included in the 2011 Annual Report incorporated by reference into the Registration Statement, the Preliminary Final Prospectus and the Final Prospectus under the caption "Item 8. Financial Information—A. Financial Statements and Other Financial Information—Dividend Policy" and the statements included in the Preliminary Final Prospectus and the Final Prospectus under the caption "Description of Capital Stock" insofar as such statements constitute a summary of the terms of the capital stock of the Company, Marshall Islands legal matters, documents or proceedings referred to therein, and the statements in the Preliminary Final Prospectus and the Final Prospectus under the capitons "Non-United States Tax Consequences—Marshall Islands Tax Consequences", "Risk Factors—Risks of Investing in the Series D Preferred Shares—Our ability to pay dividends on and to redeem our Series D Preferred Shares is limited by the requirements of Marshall Islands law.", and "Enforceability of Civil Liabilities" insofar as such statements, agreements, documents or proceedings; provided, however, that such counsel need express no opinion with respect to the laws of Canada;

(iv) Insofar as matters of Marshall Islands law are concerned, the Registration Statement and the filing of the Registration Statement with the Commission have been duly authorized by and on behalf of the Company, and the Registration Statement has been duly executed pursuant to such authorization by and on behalf of the Company;

(v) Each of this Agreement and the Operative Agreements to which the Company is a party has been duly authorized, validly executed and delivered by the Company;

(vi) To the knowledge of such counsel, no permits of, or declarations or filings with, any governmental or regulatory authorities and all courts and other tribunals, in the Republic of The Marshall Islands, are required for the Company to own or lease, as the case may be, and to operate its properties and to carry on its business in the manner described in the Disclosure Package and the Final Prospectus;

(vii) No consent, registration or qualification under the laws of the Republic of The Marshall Islands is required for the offering, issuance and sale by the Company of the Common Shares, the execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement by the Company or the consummation of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement;

(viii) Neither the issue and sale of the Securities, the execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement, nor the consummation of any other of the transactions herein contemplated nor the fulfillment of the terms hereof will conflict with, result in a breach or violation of, or imposition of any lien, charge or encumbrance under Marshall Islands law upon any property or assets of the Company pursuant to (i) the articles of incorporation or by-laws of the Company or (ii) any Marshall Islands statute, law, rule, order, or regulation of general application to which the Company is subject;

(ix) All dividends and other distributions declared and payable on the shares of capital stock of the Company, including the Securities, may under the current laws and regulations of the Republic of The Marshall Islands be paid in United States dollars and may be freely transferred out of the Republic of The Marshall Islands, and all such dividends and other distributions will not be subject to withholding or other taxes under the laws and regulations of the Republic of The Marshall Islands and are otherwise free and clear of any other tax, withholding or deduction and without the necessity of obtaining any consents, approvals, authorizations, orders, licenses, registrations, clearances and qualifications of or with any court or governmental agency or body in the Republic of The Marshall Islands;

(x) No documentary, stamp or other issuance or transfer taxes or duties and no capital gains, income, withholding or other taxes are payable by or on behalf of the Underwriters to the Republic of The Marshall Islands or to any political subdivision or taxing authority thereof or therein in connection with the sale and delivery by the Company of the Securities to or for the respective accounts of the Underwriters or the sale and delivery by the Underwriters of the Securities to the initial purchasers thereof; and

(xi) The choice of law provision set forth in Section 14 hereof is legal, valid and binding under the laws of the Republic of The Marshall Islands and such counsel knows of no reason why the courts of the Republic of The Marshall Islands would not give effect to the choice of New York law as the proper law of this Agreement; the Company has the legal capacity to sue and be sued in its own name under the laws of the Republic of The Marshall Islands; the Company has the power to submit, and has irrevocably submitted, to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of the New York Courts and has validly and irrevocably appointed Puglisi & Associates as its designee, appointee and authorized agent for the purpose described in Section 15 hereof under the laws of the Republic of The Marshall Islands; the irrevocable submission of the Company to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of the New York Courts, and assuming the Company is not regularly engaged in the conduct of activities pursuant to contractual

arrangements with the Republic of The Marshall Islands or another sovereign jurisdiction or any division, bureau, office, agency, department or political subdivision thereof, the waivers by the Company of any immunity and any objection to the venue of the proceeding in a New York Court in this Agreement are legal, valid and binding under the laws of the Republic of The Marshall Islands and, assuming the foregoing, such counsel knows of no reason why the courts of the Republic of The Marshall Islands would not give effect to the submission and waivers; service of process in the manner set forth in Section 15 of this Agreement will be effective to confer valid personal jurisdiction over the Company under the laws of the Republic of The Marshall Islands; and provided that the following provisions of The Marshall Islands Uniform Foreign Money-Judgments Recognition Act as set out below are complied with, a final and conclusive judgment against the Company obtained in a New York court arising out of or in relation to the obligations of the Company under this Agreement would be enforceable in the courts of the Republic of The Marshall Islands without a retrial on the merits.

Such provisions provide as follows: that a judgment obtained in a foreign jurisdiction would be recognized unless (a) the judgment was rendered under a system which does not provide impartial tribunals or procedures compatible with the requirements of due process of law; (b) the foreign court did not have personal jurisdiction over the defendant; (c) the foreign court did not have jurisdiction over the subject matter; or (d) the foreign country does not recognize or enforce judgments of any other foreign nation. In addition, a foreign judgment need not be recognized if (a) the defendant in the proceedings in the foreign court did not receive notice of the proceedings in sufficient time to enable him to defend; (b) the judgment was obtained by fraud; (c) the cause of action on which the judgment is based is repugnant to the public policy of the Republic of The Marshall Islands; (d) the judgment between the parties under which the dispute in question was to be settled otherwise than by proceedings in the court; or (f) in the case of jurisdiction based only on personal service, the foreign court was a seriously inconvenient forum for the trial of the action. If none of the above grounds exist then the Republic of The Marshall Islands High Court will enforce a foreign judgment without a retrial on the merits.

In rendering such opinion, such counsel may (A) rely in respect of matters of fact upon certificates of officers and employees of the Company and the Manager and upon information obtained from public officials, (B) assume that all documents submitted to them as originals are authentic, that all copies submitted to them conform to the originals thereof, and that the signatures on all documents examined by them are genuine, and (C) state that their opinion is limited to the laws of the Republic of The Marshall Islands. References to the Final Prospectus in this paragraph (e) shall also include any supplements thereto at the Closing Date or the Option Closing Date, as the case may be.

(f) The Representatives shall have received from Cravath, Swaine & Moore LLP, counsel for the Underwriters, such opinion or opinions, dated the Closing Date or the Option Closing Date, as the case may be, and addressed to the Representatives,

with respect to the issuance and sale of the Securities, the Registration Statement, the Disclosure Package, the Final Prospectus (together with any supplement thereto) and other related matters as the Representatives may reasonably require, and the Company shall have furnished to such counsel such documents as they request for the purpose of enabling them to pass upon such matters.

(g) The Company shall have furnished to the Representatives a certificate of the Company, signed by the Co-Chairman of the Board or the Chief Executive Officer and the principal financial or accounting officer of the Company, dated the Closing Date or the Option Closing Date, as the case may be, to the effect that the signers of such certificate have carefully examined the Registration Statement, the Final Prospectus, the Disclosure Package and any supplements or amendments thereto and this Agreement and that:

(i) the representations and warranties of the Company in this Agreement are true and correct on and as of the Closing Date or the Option Closing Date, as the case may be, with the same effect as if made on the Closing Date or the Option Closing Date, as the case may be, and the Company has complied with all the agreements and satisfied all the conditions on its part to be performed or satisfied at or prior to the Closing Date or the Option Closing Date, as the case may be;

(ii) no stop order suspending the effectiveness of the Registration Statement or any notice that would prevent its use has been issued and no proceedings for that purpose have been instituted or, to the Company's knowledge, threatened; and

(iii) since the date of the most recent financial statements included or incorporated by reference in the Final Prospectus (exclusive of any supplement thereto), there has been no Material Adverse Effect, whether or not arising from transactions in the ordinary course of business, except as set forth in or contemplated in the Disclosure Package and the Final Prospectus (exclusive of any supplement thereto).

(h) The Company shall have requested and caused KPMG LLP to have furnished to the Representatives, at the date hereof and at the Closing Date or the Option Closing Date, as the case may be, letters, dated respectively as of the date hereof and as of the Closing Date or the Option Closing Date, as the case may be, in form and substance satisfactory to the Representatives, confirming that they are the independent registered public accounting firm of the Company within the meaning of the Act and the Exchange Act and the applicable rules and regulations thereunder adopted by the Commission and the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) (the "PCAOB"), and that they have performed a review of the unaudited interim consolidated financial information of the Company as at March 31, 2012, and for the three-month periods ended March 31, 2012 and 2011, as at June 30, 2012, and for the three- and six-month periods ended June 30, 2012 and 2011, and as at September 30, 2012, and for the three- and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2012 and 2011, in accordance with the PCAOB standards for a review of interim financial information as described in AU 722, Interim Financial Information, and stating in effect that:

(i) in their opinion, the audited consolidated financial statements incorporated by reference into the Registration Statement, the Preliminary Final Prospectus and the Final Prospectus and reported on by them comply as to form, in all material respects, with the applicable accounting requirements of the Act and the Exchange Act and the related rules and regulations adopted by the Commission;

(ii) on the basis of: a reading of the latest unaudited interim consolidated financial statements made available by the Company; their limited review, in accordance with the standards established under PCAOB AU 722, of the unaudited interim consolidated financial statements for the three-month period ended March 31, 2012 and as at March 31, 2012, the six-month period ended June 30, 2012 and as at June 30, 2012 and the nine-month period ended September 30, 2012 and as at September 30, 2012; carrying out certain specified procedures (but not an examination in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards) which would not necessarily reveal matters of significance with respect to the comments set forth in such letter; a reading of the minutes of the meetings of shareholders, directors and any committees of the Company; and inquiries of certain officials of the Company who have responsibility for financial and accounting matters of the Company as to transactions and events subsequent to September 30, 2012, nothing came to their attention which caused them to believe that:

(1) any material modifications should be made to said unaudited interim consolidated financial statements incorporated by reference into the Registration Statement, the Preliminary Final Prospectus and the Final Prospectus for them to be in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles; or said unaudited financial statements do not comply as to form in all material respects with the applicable accounting requirements of the Act and the Exchange Act and the related rules and regulations adopted by the Commission; or

(2) with respect to the period subsequent to September 30, 2012, there were any changes, at a specified date not more than five days prior to the date of the letter, in the capital stock of the Company, increases in long-term debt, decreases in net current assets or the shareholders' equity, of the Company, as compared with the amounts shown on the September 30, 2012 combined balance sheet included in the Registration Statement, the Preliminary Final Prospectus and the Final Prospectus, or for the period from October 1, 2012 to such specified date there were any decreases, as compared with the comparative period in the preceding year, in net revenue or net earnings of the Company, except in all instances for changes or decreases set forth in the Registration Statement, the Preliminary Final Prospectus and the Final Prospectus or in such letter, in which case the letter shall be accompanied by an explanation by the Company as to the significance thereof unless said explanation is not deemed necessary by the Representatives; and

(iii) they have performed certain other specified procedures as a result of which they determined that certain information of an accounting, financial or statistical nature (which is

limited to accounting, financial or statistical information derived from the general accounting records of the Company and its predecessor) set forth in the Registration Statement, the Preliminary Final Prospectus and the Final Prospectus agrees with the financial statements included in the Registration Statement, the Preliminary Final Prospectus, the accounting records of the Company and its predecessor, or to other financial information provided by the Company, in which case the sources of such other financial information shall be described, excluding any questions of legal interpretation.

References to the Final Prospectus in this paragraph (h) include any supplement thereto at the date of the letter.

(i) Subsequent to the Applicable Time or, if earlier, the dates as of which information is given in the Registration Statement (exclusive of any amendment thereof) and the Final Prospectus (exclusive of any supplement thereto), there shall not have been (i) any change or decrease specified in the letter or letters referred to in paragraph (j) of this Section 6 or (ii) any change, or any development involving a prospective change, in or affecting the condition (financial or otherwise), earnings, business or properties of the Company and its subsidiaries taken as a whole, whether or not arising from transactions in the ordinary course of business, except as set forth in or contemplated in the Disclosure Package and the Final Prospectus (exclusive of any supplement thereto) the effect of which, in any case referred to in clause (i) or (ii) above, is, in the sole judgment of the Representatives, so material and adverse as to make it impractical or inadvisable to proceed with the offering or delivery of the Securities as contemplated by the Registration Statement (exclusive of any amendment thereof) and the Disclosure Package and the Final Prospectus (exclusive of any supplement thereto).

(j) Prior to the Closing Date or the Option Closing Date, as the case may be, the Company shall have furnished to the Representatives such further information, certificates and documents as the Representatives may reasonably request.

(k) Subsequent to the Applicable Time, there shall not have been any decrease in the rating of any of the Company's securities by any "nationally recognized statistical rating organization" (as defined in Section (3)(a)(62) of the Exchange Act) or any notice given of any intended or potential decrease in any such rating or of a possible change in any such rating that does not indicate the direction of the possible change.

(1) Subsequent to the Closing Date or the Option Closing Date, as the case may be, an application shall have been made for the admission, listing and trading of the Securities on The New York Stock Exchange and the Company is not aware of any reason such application would not be received within 30 days of the Closing Date or the Option Closing Date, as the case may be, and satisfactory evidence of such shall have been provided to the Representatives.

If any of the conditions specified in this Section 6 shall not have been fulfilled when and as provided in this Agreement, or if any of the opinions and certificates

mentioned above or elsewhere in this Agreement shall not be reasonably satisfactory in form and substance to the Representatives and counsel for the Underwriters, this Agreement and all obligations of the Underwriters hereunder may be canceled at, or at any time prior to, the Closing Date by the Representatives. Notice of such cancellation shall be given to the Company in writing or by telephone or facsimile confirmed in writing.

The documents required to be delivered by this Section 6 shall be delivered at the office of Cravath, Swaine & Moore LLP, counsel for the Underwriters, at Worldwide Plaza, 825 Eighth Avenue, New York, NY 10019, on the Closing Date or the Option Closing Date, as the case may be.

7. <u>Reimbursement of Underwriters' Expenses.</u> If the sale of the Securities provided for herein is not consummated because any condition to the obligations of the Underwriters set forth in Section 6 hereof is not satisfied, because of any termination pursuant to Section 10 hereof or because of any refusal, inability or failure on the part of the Company to perform any agreement herein or comply with any provision hereof other than by reason of a default by any of the Underwriters, the Company will reimburse the Underwriters severally through the Representatives on demand for all reasonable out-of-pocket expenses (including reasonable fees and disbursements of counsel) that shall have been actually incurred by them in connection with the proposed purchase and sale of the Securities. In addition, the Company agrees to pay \$50,000 of the underwriters' expenses in connection with the offering.

8. Indemnification and Contribution. (a) The Company agrees to indemnify and hold harmless each Underwriter, the directors, officers, employees and agents of each Underwriter and each person who controls any Underwriter within the meaning of either the Act or the Exchange Act against any and all losses, claims, damages or liabilities, joint or several, to which they or any of them may become subject under the Act, the Exchange Act or other Federal or state statutory law or regulation, at common law or otherwise, insofar as such losses, claims, damages or liabilities (or actions in respect thereof) arise out of or are based upon any untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of a material fact contained in the Registration Statement for the registration of the Securities as originally filed or in any amendment thereof, or in the Basic Prospectus, any Preliminary Final Prospectus, the Final Prospectus, any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus, or in any amendment thereof or supplement thereto, or arise out of or are based upon the omission or alleged omission to state therein a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading, and agrees to reimburse each such indemnified party, as incurred, for any legal or other expenses reasonably incurred by them in connection with investigating or defending any such loss, claim, damage or liability or action; provided, however, that the Company will not be liable in any such case to the extent that any such loss, claim, damage or liability arises out of or is based upon any such untrue statement or alleged omission made therein in reliance upon and in conformity with written information furnished to the Company by or on behalf of any Underwriter through the Representatives specifically for inclusion therein. This indemnify agreement will be in addition to any liability which the Company may otherwise have.

(b) Each Underwriter severally and not jointly agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Company, each of its directors, each of its officers who signs the Registration Statement, and each person who controls the Company within the meaning of either the Act or the Exchange Act, to the same extent as referred to in subsection (a) in the foregoing indemnity from the Company to each Underwriter, but only with reference to written information furnished to the Company by or on behalf of such Underwriter through the Representatives specifically for inclusion in the documents referred to in the foregoing indemnity. This indemnity agreement will be in addition to any liability which any Underwriter may otherwise have. The Company acknowledges that (i) the statements set forth in the last paragraph of the cover page regarding delivery of the Securities, (ii) the name of each Underwriter on the Securities, (iv) the sentences related to concessions and reallowances and (v) the paragraphs related to stabilization, syndicate covering transactions and penalty bids in any Preliminary Final Prospectus and the Final Prospectus constitute the only information furnished in writing by or on behalf of the several Underwriters.

(c) Promptly after receipt by an indemnified party under this Section 8 of notice of the commencement of any action, such indemnified party will, if a claim in respect thereof is to be made against the indemnifying party under this Section 8, notify the indemnifying party in writing of the commencement thereof; but the failure so to notify the indemnifying party (i) will not relieve the indemnifying party from liability under paragraph (a) or (b) above unless and to the extent it did not otherwise learn of such action and such failure results in the forfeiture by the indemnifying party of substantial rights and defenses and (ii) will not, in any event, relieve the indemnifying party from any obligations to any indemnified party other than the indemnification obligation provided in paragraph (a) or (b) above. The indemnifying party shall be entitled to appoint counsel of the indemnifying party's choice at the indemnifying party's expense to represent the indemnified party in any action for which indemnification is sought (in which case the indemnifying party shall not thereafter be responsible for the fees and expenses of any separate counsel retained by the indemnified party or parties except as set forth below); provided, however, that such counsel shall be reasonably satisfactory to the indemnified party. Notwithstanding the indemnifying party's election to appoint counsel to represent the indemnified party in an action, the indemnified party shall have the right to employ one separate counsel (in addition to local counsel), and the indemnifying party shall bear the reasonable fees, costs and expenses of such separate counsel if (w) the use of counsel chosen by the indemnifying party to represent the indemnified party would present such counsel with a conflict of interest, (x) the actual or potential defendants in, or targets of, any such action include both the indemnified party and the indemnifying party and the indemnified party shall have reasonably concluded that there may be legal defenses available to it and/or other indemnified parties which are different from or additional to those available to the indemnifying party, (y) the indemnifying party shall not have employed counsel reasonably satisfactory to the indemnified party to represent the indemnified party within a reasonable time after notice of the institution of such action or (z) the indemnifying party shall authorize

the indemnified party to employ separate counsel at the expense of the indemnifying party. An indemnifying party will not, without the prior written consent of the indemnified parties, settle or compromise or consent to the entry of any judgment with respect to any pending or threatened claim, action, suit or proceeding in respect of which indemnification or contribution may be sought hereunder (whether or not the indemnified parties are actual or potential parties to such claim or action) unless such settlement, compromise or consent includes an unconditional release and no admission of fault of each indemnified party from all liability arising out of such claim, action, suit or proceeding.

(d) In the event that the indemnity provided in paragraph (a) or (b) of this Section 8 is unavailable to or insufficient to hold harmless an indemnified party for any reason, the Company and the Underwriters severally agree to contribute to the aggregate losses, claims, damages and liabilities (including legal or other expenses reasonably incurred in connection with investigating or defending same) (collectively "Losses") to which the Company and one or more of the Underwriters may be subject in such proportion as is appropriate to reflect the relative benefits received by the Company on the one hand and by the Underwriters on the other from the offering of the Securities; provided, however, that in no case shall any Underwriter (except as may be provided in any agreement among underwriters relating to the offering of the Securities) be responsible for any amount in excess of the underwriting discount or commission applicable to the Securities purchased by such Underwriter hereunder. If the allocation provided by the immediately preceding sentence is unavailable for any reason, the Company and the Underwriters severally shall contribute in such proportion as is appropriate to reflect not only such relative benefits but also the relative fault of the Company, on the one hand and of the Underwriters on the other in connection with the statements or omissions which resulted in such Losses as well as any other relevant equitable considerations. Benefits received by the Company shall be deemed to be equal to the total net proceeds from the offering (before deducting expenses) received by it, and benefits received by the Underwriters shall be deemed to be equal to the total underwriting discounts and commissions, in each case as set forth on the cover page of the Final Prospectus. Relative fault shall be determined by reference to, among other things, whether any untrue or any alleged untrue statement of a material fact or the omission or alleged omission to state a material fact relates to information provided by the Company on the one hand or the Underwriters on the other, the intent of the parties and their relative knowledge, access to information and opportunity to correct or prevent such untrue statement or omission. The Company and the Underwriters agree that it would not be just and equitable if contribution were determined by pro rata allocation or any other method of allocation which does not take account of the equitable considerations referred to above. Notwithstanding the provisions of this paragraph (d), no person guilty of fraudulent misrepresentation (within the meaning of Section 11(f) of the Act) shall be entitled to contribution from any person who was not guilty of such fraudulent misrepresentation. For purposes of this Section 8, each person who controls an Underwriter within the meaning of either the Act or the Exchange Act and each director, officer, employee and agent of an Underwriter shall have the same rights to contribution as such Underwriter, and each person who controls the Company, within the meaning of either the Act or the

Exchange Act, each officer of the Company who shall have signed the Registration Statement and each director of the Company shall have the same rights to contribution as the Company subject in each case to the applicable terms and conditions of this paragraph (d).

9. Default by an Underwriter. If any one or more Underwriters shall fail to purchase and pay for any of the Securities agreed to be purchased by such Underwriter or Underwriters hereunder and such failure to purchase shall constitute a default in the performance of its or their obligations under this Agreement, the remaining Underwriters shall be obligated severally to take up and pay for (in the respective proportions which the amount of Securities set forth opposite their names in Schedule II hereto bears to the aggregate amount of Securities set forth opposite the names of all the remaining Underwriters) the Securities which the defaulting Underwriter or Underwriters agreed but failed to purchase; provided, however, that in the event that the aggregate amount of Securities which the defaulting Underwriters or Underwriters agreed but failed to purchase shall exceed 10% of the aggregate amount of Securities set forth in Schedule II hereto, the remaining Underwriters do not purchase all, but shall not be under any obligation to purchase any, of the Securities, and if such nondefaulting Underwriters do not purchase all the Securities, this Agreement will terminate without liability to any nondefaulting Underwriter or the Company. In the event of a default by any Underwriter as set forth in this Section 9, the Closing Date or the Option Closing Date, as the case may be, shall be postponed for such period, not exceeding five Business Days, as the Representatives shall determine in order that the required changes in the Registration Statement and the Final Prospectus or in any other documents or arrangements may be effected. Nothing contained in this Agreement shall relieve any defaulting Underwriter of its liability, if any, to the Company and any nondefaulting Underwriter for damages occasioned by its default hereunder.

10. <u>Termination</u>. This Agreement shall be subject to termination in the absolute discretion of the Representatives, by notice given to the Company prior to delivery of and payment for the Securities, if at any time prior to such time (i) trading in the Common Shares or the Series C Preferred Shares shall have been suspended by the Commission or The New York Stock Exchange, (ii) trading in securities generally on The New York Stock Exchange shall have been suspended or limited or minimum prices shall have been established on such Exchange, (iii) a banking moratorium shall have been declared either by Federal or New York State authorities or (iv) there shall have occurred any outbreak or escalation of hostilities, declaration by the United States of a national emergency or war, or other calamity or crisis the effect of which on financial markets is such as to make it, in the sole judgment of the Representatives, impractical or inadvisable to proceed with the offering or delivery of the Securities as contemplated by the Final Prospectus (exclusive of any supplement thereto).

11. <u>Representations and Indemnities to Survive.</u> The respective agreements, representations, warranties, indemnities and other statements of the Company or its officers and of the Underwriters set forth in or made pursuant to this Agreement will remain in full force and effect, regardless of any investigation made by or on behalf of any Underwriter or the Company or any of the officers, directors, employees, agents or controlling persons

referred to in Section 8 hereof, and will survive delivery of and payment for the Securities. The provisions of Sections 5(1), 7, 8, 9, 11, 14 and 15 hereof shall survive the termination or cancellation of this Agreement.

12. <u>Notices.</u> All communications hereunder will be in writing and effective only on receipt, and, if sent to the Representatives, will be mailed, delivered or telefaxed to Jefferies & Company, Inc., 520 Madison Avenue, New York, NY 10022, Attention of the General Counsel (fax no: (646) 619-4437); Incapital LLC, at 200 S. Wacker Drive Suite 3700, Chicago, IL 60606, Attention: Legal (fax no: (312) 379-3701); Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC, Eleven Madison Avenue, New York, NY 10010, Attention: LCD-IBD, or, if sent to the Company, will be mailed, delivered or telefaxed to Gerry Wang c/o Seaspan Ship Management Ltd. (fax no.: (604) 676 2296), 2600-200 Granville Street, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada, V6C 1S4 and confirmed to Sai W. Chu c/o Seaspan Ship Management Ltd. (fax no.: (604) 676 2296), 2600-200 Granville Street, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada, V6C 1S4.

13. <u>Successors</u>. This Agreement will inure to the benefit of and be binding upon the parties hereto and their respective successors and the officers, directors, director nominees, employees, agents and controlling persons referred to in Section 8 hereof, and no other person will have any right or obligation hereunder.

14. <u>Applicable Law.</u> This Agreement will be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York applicable to contracts made and to be performed within the State of New York.

15. Jurisdiction. The Company agrees that any suit, action or proceeding against the Company brought by any Underwriter, the directors, officers, employees and agents of any Underwriter, or by any person who controls any Underwriter, arising out of or based upon this Agreement or the transactions contemplated hereby may be instituted in any New York Court, and waives any objection which it may now or hereafter have to the laying of venue of any such proceeding, and irrevocably submits to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of such courts in any suit, action or proceeding. The Company has appointed Puglisi & Associates as its authorized agent (the "<u>Authorized Agent</u>") upon whom process may be served in any suit, action or proceeding arising out of or based upon this Agreement or the transactions contemplated herein which may be instituted in any New York Court, by any Underwriter, the directors, officers, employees and agents of any Underwriter, or by any person who controls any Underwriter, and expressly accepts the non-exclusive jurisdiction of any such court in respect of any such suit, action or proceeding. The Company hereby represents and warrants that the Authorized Agent has accepted such appointment and has agreed to act as said agent for service of process, and the Company agrees to take any and all action, including the filing of any and all documents that may be necessary to continue such appointment in full force and effect as aforesaid. Service of process upon the Authorized Agent shall be deemed, in every respect, effective service of process upon the Company. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any action arising out of or based upon this Agreement may be instituted by any Underwriter, or by any person who controls any Underwriter, in any court of competent jurisdiction in the Republic of The Marshall Islands.

The provisions of this Section 15 shall survive any termination of this Agreement, in whole or in part.

16. <u>Waiver of Immunity</u>. To the extent that the Company has or hereafter may acquire any immunity (sovereign or otherwise) from any legal action, suit or proceeding, from jurisdiction of any court or from set-off or any legal process (whether service or notice, attachment in aid or otherwise) with respect to itself or any of its property, the Company hereby irrevocably waives and agrees not to plead or claim such immunity in respect of its obligations under this Agreement.

17. <u>Arms-length Transactions.</u> The Company acknowledges and agrees that (i) the purchase and sale of the Securities pursuant to this Agreement, including the determination of the public offering price of the Securities and any related discounts and commissions, is an arm's-length commercial transaction between the Company, on the one hand, and the several Underwriters on the other, (ii) in connection with the offering contemplated hereby and the process leading to such transaction each Underwriter is and has been acting solely as a principal and is not the agent or fiduciary of the Company, or its stockholders, creditors, employees or any other party, (iii) no Underwriter has assumed or will assume an advisory or fiduciary responsibility in favor of the Company with respect to the offering contemplated hereby or the process leading thereto (irrespective of whether such Underwriter has advised or is currently advising the Company on other matters) and no Underwriter has any obligation to the Company with respect to the offering contemplated hereby except the obligations expressly set forth in this Agreement, (iv) the Underwriters and their respective affiliates may be engaged in a broad range of transactions that involve interests that differ from those of the Company, and (v) the Underwriters have not provided any legal, accounting, regulatory or tax advisors to the extent it deemed appropriate.

18. Counterparts. This Agreement may be signed in one or more counterparts, each of which shall constitute an original and all of which together shall constitute one and the same agreement.

19. Headings. The section headings used herein are for convenience only and shall not affect the construction hereof.

20. Definitions. The terms which follow, when used in this Agreement, shall have the meanings indicated.

"Act" shall mean the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and the rules and regulations of the Commission promulgated thereunder.

"Applicable Time" shall mean 3:00 p.m. New York City time on December 6, 2012.

"Basic Prospectus" shall mean the prospectus referred to in paragraph 1(a) above contained in the Registration Statement at the Effective Date.

"Business Day" shall mean any day other than a Saturday, a Sunday or a legal holiday or a day on which banking institutions or trust companies are authorized or obligated by law to close in New York City.

"Commission" shall mean the Securities and Exchange Commission.

"Disclosure Package" shall mean (i) the Basic Prospectus, as amended and supplemented to the Applicable Time, (ii) the Issuer Free Writing Prospectuses, if any, identified in Schedule III hereto, (iii) any other Free Writing Prospectus that the parties hereto shall hereafter expressly agree in writing to treat as part of the Disclosure Package, and (iv) the other information, if any, identified in Schedule V hereto.

"Effective Date" shall mean each date and time that the Registration Statement, any post-effective amendment or amendments thereto and any Rule 462(b) Registration Statement became or become effective including each deemed effective date pursuant to Rule 430B(e)(2) of Act.

"Exchange Act" shall mean the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and the rules and regulations of the Commission promulgated thereunder.

"Final Prospectus" shall mean the prospectus supplement relating to the Securities that was first filed pursuant to Rule 424(b) after the Applicable Time, together with the Basic Prospectus.

"Free Writing Prospectus" shall mean a free writing prospectus, as defined in Rule 405.

"Issuer Free Writing Prospectus" shall mean an issuer free writing prospectus, as defined in Rule 433.

"Preliminary Final Prospectus" shall mean any preliminary prospectus supplement to the Basic Prospectus which describes the Securities and the offering thereof and is used prior to filing of the Final Prospectus, together with the Basic Prospectus.

"Registration Statement" shall mean the registration statement referred to in paragraph 1(a) above, including exhibits and financial statements and any prospectus supplement relating to the Securities that is filed with the Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) and deemed part of such registration statement pursuant to Rule 430B, as amended at the Applicable Time and, in the event any post-effective amendment thereto or any Rule 462(b) Registration Statement becomes effective prior to the Closing Date or the Option Closing Date, as the case may be, shall also mean such registration statement as so amended or such Rule 462(b) Registration Statement, as the case may be.

"Rule 158", "Rule 163", "Rule 164", "Rule 172", "Rule 405", "Rule 415", "Rule 424", "Rule 430B" and "Rule 433" refer to such rules under the Act.

"United States or Canadian Person" shall mean any person who is a national or resident of the United States or Canada, any corporation, partnership, or other entity created or organized in or under the laws of the United States or Canada or of any political subdivision thereof, or any estate or trust the income of which is subject to United States or Canadian Federal income taxation, regardless of its source (other than any non-United States or non-Canadian branch of any United States or Canadian Person), and shall include any United States or Canadian branch of a person other than a United States or Canadian Person. "U.S." or "United States" shall mean the United States of America (including the states thereof and the District of Columbia), its territories, its possessions and other areas subject to its jurisdiction.

21. <u>Patriot Act.</u> In accordance with the requirements of the USA Patriot Act (Title III of Pub. L. 107-56 (signed into law October 26, 2001)), the Company acknowledges that the Underwriters are required to obtain, verify and record information that identifies their respective clients, including the Company, which information may include the name and address of their respective clients, as well as other information that will allow the Underwriters to properly identify their respective clients.

If the foregoing is in accordance with your understanding of our agreement, please sign and return to us the enclosed duplicate hereof, whereupon this letter and your acceptance shall represent a binding agreement between the Company and the several Underwriters.

Very truly yours,

SEASPAN CORPORATION,

by <u>/s</u>/ Sai W. Chu

Name: Sai W. Chu Title: Chief Financial Officer The foregoing Agreement is hereby confirmed and accepted as of the date specified in Schedule I hereto.

JEFFERIES & COMPANY, INC.,

by /s/ Stephen J. Anderson

Name: Stephen J. Anderson Title: Managing Director

INCAPITAL LLC,

by /s/ Adam M. Vore Name: Adam M. Vore

Title: Managing Director, Capital Markets

CREDIT SUISSE SECURITIES (USA) LLC,

by <u>/s/ Sharon Harrison</u> Name: Sharon Harrison Title: Director

For themselves and the other several Underwriters named in Schedule II to the foregoing Agreement.

ANNEX A

SCHEDULE I

Underwriting Agreement dated December 6, 2012

Registration Statement No. 333-168938

Representatives: Jefferies & Company, Inc.

Incapital LLC

Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC

Title, Purchase Price and Description of Securities:

Title: 7.95% Series D Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Shares (\$0.01 par value per share, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share)

Number of Firm Securities to be issued and sold by the Company: 2,700,000

Number of Option Securities: 405,000

Price per Share to Public: \$25.00

Price per Share to the Underwriters - total: \$24.2125

Other provisions:

Closing Date, Time and Location: December 13, 2012, at 10:00 a.m. at the offices of Cravath, Swaine & Moore, LLP, Worldwide Plaza, 825 Eighth Avenue, New York, New York, 10019.

Type of Offering: Non-Delayed

Date referred to in Section 5(h) after which the Company may offer or sell securities issued by the Company without the consent of the Representatives: January 20, 2012

Modification of items to be covered by the letter from KPMG LLP delivered pursuant to Section 6(h): none

SCHEDULE II

Underwriters	Number of Firm Securities to be Purchased
Jefferies & Company, Inc.	877,500
Incapital LLC	877,500
Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC	675,000
DnB Markets Inc.	148,500
SMBC Nikko Capital Markets Limited	121,500
Total	2,700,000

SCHEDULE III

Schedule of Issuer Free Writing Prospectuses included in the Disclosure Package

Pricing term sheet, as amended, dated December 6, 2012

Vessels 1) CSCL Zeebrugge 2) CSCL Long Beach 3) CSCL Oceania 4) CSCL Africa 5) COSCO Japan 6) COSCO Korea 7) COSCO Philippines 8) COSCO Malaysia 9) COSCO Indonesia 10) MOL Emerald 11) MOL Eminence 12) MOL Emissary 13) MOL Empire 14) MSC Veronique 15) MSC Manu 16) MSC Leanne 17) MSC Carole 18) CSAV Licanten 19) CSCL Chiwan 20) Seaspan Ningbo 21) Seaspan Dalian 22) Seaspan Felixstowe 23) CSCL Vancouver 24) CSCL Sydney

25) CSCL New York 26) CSCL Melbourne 27) CSCL Brisbane 28) New Delhi Express 29) Dubai Express 30) Jakarta Express 31) Saigon Express 32) Lahore Express 33) Rio Grande Express 34) Santos Express 35) Rio de Janeiro Express 36) Manila Express 37) CSAV Loncomilla 38) CSAV Lumaco 39) CSAV Lingue 40) CSAV Lebu 41) COSCO Fuzhou 42) COSCO Yingkou 43) CSCL Panama 44) CSCL Montevideo 45) CSCL São Paulo 46) CSCL Lima 47) CSCL Santiago 48) CSCL San Jose 49) CSCL Callao 50) CSCL Manzanillo

51) Guayaquil Bridge

- 52) Calicanto Bridge
 53) COSCO Thailand
 54) COSCO Prince Rupert
 55) COSCO Vietnam
 56) COSCO Glory
 57) COSCO Excellence
 58) COSCO Development
 59) COSCO Harmony
 60) COSCO Hope
- 61) COSCO Fortune

SCHEDULE IV-B

- Brotonne Bridge Leased from Peony Leasing Limited (which subsequently novated the contract to Peony Western Leasing Limited on October 21, 2010) pursuant to the \$400.0 million UK lease facility between Seaspan Finance I Co. Ltd. and Peony Leasing Limited dated December 27, 2007, as amended on October 20, 2010 and further amended December 21, 2011
- 2) Brevik Bridge Leased from Peony Leasing Limited (which subsequently novated the contract to Peony Western Leasing Limited on October 21, 2010) pursuant to the \$400.0 million UK lease facility between Seaspan Finance I Co. Ltd. and Peony Leasing Limited dated December 27, 2007, as amended on October 20, 2010 and further amended December 21, 2011
- 3) Bilbao Bridge Leased from Peony Leasing Limited (which subsequently novated the contract to Peony Western Leasing Limited on October 21, 2010) pursuant to the \$400.0 million UK lease facility between Seaspan Finance I Co. Ltd. and Peony Leasing Limited dated December 27, 2007, as amended on October 20, 2010 and further amended December 21, 2011
- 4) Berlin Bridge Leased from Peony Leasing Limited (which subsequently novated the contract to Peony Western Leasing Limited on October 21, 2010) pursuant to the \$400.0 million UK lease facility between Seaspan Finance I Co. Ltd. and Peony Leasing Limited dated December 27, 2007, as amended on October 20, 2010 and further amended December 21, 2011
- 5) Budapest Bridge Leased from Peony Leasing Limited (which subsequently novated the contract to Peony Western Leasing Limited on October 21, 2010) pursuant to the \$400.0 million UK lease facility between Seaspan Finance I Co. Ltd. and Peony Leasing Limited dated December 27, 2007, as amended on October 20, 2010 and further amended December 21, 2011
- 6) COSCO Pride Leased from Haiju (Tianjin) Ship Leasing Co., Limited, Tianjin Yuan Geng Shi Pan Shipping Service Co., Ltd., and ICBC Financial Leasing Co., Ltd. pursuant to agreements dated June 10, 2011 and February 4, 2010
- COSCO Faith Leased from Endeavour Leasing Limited and Credit Agricole Corporate and Investment Bank pursuant to agreements dated October 21, 2010
- 8) Madinah Leased from Hui Merchant Leasing (No. 1) Limited pursuant to agreements dated October 31, 2011

SCHEDULE V

Schedule of other information included in the Disclosure Package

None

Schedule VI

The trade-mark license agreement between Seaspan International and the Company (the "Seaspan License Agreement").

The trade-mark license agreement between Washington Corporations ("<u>Washington</u>") and the Company (the "<u>W License Agreement</u>" and with the Seaspan License Agreement, the "<u>License Agreements</u>").

The amended and restated executive employment agreement between the Ship Manager and Gerry Wang (the "<u>Wang Employment Agreement</u>"), dated as of March 14, 2011.

The executive employment agreement between the Company and Gerry Wang (the "<u>Wang Executive Employment Agreement</u>") and the related transaction services agreement between the Company and Gerry Wang (the "<u>Wang Transaction Services Agreement</u>"), each dated as of March 14, 2011.

The amended and restated limited liability company agreement of Greater China Intermodal Investments LLC ("Greater China Intermodal"), dated as of March 14, 2011.

The right of first refusal agreement among the Company, Greater China Intermodal and Blue Water Commerce, LLC ("Blue Water"), dated as of March 14, 2011.

The right of first offer agreement between the Company and Blue Water, dated March 14, 2011.

The Financial Services Agreement between the Company and Tiger Ventures Limited, dated March 14, 2011.

The Change of Control Severance Plan for Employees of Seaspan Ship Management Ltd., dated as of January 1, 2009 (the "Employee Severance Plan").

The amended and restated omnibus agreement (the "<u>Omnibus Agreement</u>") among the Company, the Manager, the Ship Manager, the Advisor, Norsk Pacific Steamship Company Limited, and Seaspan International Ltd. Marine Corporation ("<u>Seaspan International</u>"), as amended on March 14, 2011 and January 27, 2012.

The \$400.0 million UK lease facility between Seaspan Finance I Co. Ltd. and Peony Leasing Limited dated December 27, 2007, as amended on October 22, 2010.

(1) The amended and restated \$1.3 billion credit facility between Seaspan Corporation and Citigroup Global Markets Limited and Fortis Capital, among others, dated May 11, 2007, as amended on July 6, 2012, (2) the \$920 million credit facility between Seaspan Corporation and DnB NOR Bank ASA, Credit Suisse, The Export Import Bank of China, Industrial and Commercial Bank of China Limited and Sumimoto Mitsui Banking Corporation, Brussels Branch, among others, dated August 8, 2007, (3) the \$235.3

million credit facility between Seaspan Corporation and Sumimoto Mitsui Banking Corporation, Sumimoto Banking Corporation, Brussels Branch, Sumimoto Mitsui Banking Corporation Europe Limited, Sumimoto Mitsui Banking Corporation, Brussels Branch and Sumimoto Mitsui Banking Corporation, among others, dated March 31, 2008, (4) the \$365 million revolving credit facility between Seaspan Corporation and DnB Nor Bank ASA, Credit Suisse and Fortis Capital Corp., among others, dated May 19, 2006, as amended by Amendment No. 1 on June 29, 2007 and as amended by Amendment No. 2 on August 7, 2007, (5) the \$218.4 million credit facility between Seaspan Corporation and Sumimoto Mitsui Banking Corporation, among others, dated October 16, 2006, (6) the \$150 million reducing revolving credit facility among Seaspan Finance II Co. Ltd. and Seaspan Finance III Co. Ltd. as borrowers, Seaspan Corporation as guarantor and Industrial and Commercial Bank of China Limited dated December 28, 2007, and (7) the \$291.2 million credit facility between Seaspan Corporation and Fortis Bank S.A./N.V. and the Import Bank of Korea, among others, dated March 17, 2008 (collectively, the "Credit Facilities").

REEDER & SIMPSON PC ATTORNEYS AT LAW

P.O. Box 601 RRE Commercial Center Majuro, MH 96960

December 10, 2012

Seaspan Corporation Unit 2, 7th Floor, Bupa Centre 141 Connaught Road West Hong Kong, China

Re: Seaspan Corporation

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have acted as Republic of the Marshall Islands (the "*RMI*"), counsel to Seaspan Corporation, a corporation formed under the laws of the RMI (the "*Corporation*"), with respect to the preparation of a preliminary prospectus supplement dated December 5, 2012 (the "*Preliminary Prospectus*"), and a final prospectus supplement dated December 10, 2012 (the "*Prospectus*"), to that certain Registration Statement on Form F-3 (333-168938), which became effective on August 30, 2010 (the "*Registration Statement*"), for the offering and sale by the Corporation of up to 3,105,000 shares of the Corporation's 7.95% Series D Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Shares (the "*Preferred Shares*"), including 405,000 shares issuable upon exercise of the underwriters' option to purchase additional shares.

In connection with this opinion, we have examined originals or electronic copies, certified or otherwise identified to our satisfaction, the following documents (together the "*Documents*"): (i) the Registration Statement; (ii) the Prospectus; (iii) the Underwriting Agreement dated December 6, 2012 among the Company, Jefferies & Company, Inc., Incapital LLC, and Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC, as representatives of the several Underwriters listed in Schedule II thereto (the "*Underwriting Agreement*"); (iv) the Corporation's Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation; (v) the Corporation's Bylaws; and (vi) resolutions of the meetings of the Board of Directors of the Corporation, approving the offering of the Preferred Shares and all action relating thereto. We have also examined such corporate documents and records of the Corporation and other instruments, certificates and documents as we have deemed necessary or appropriate as a basis for the opinions hereinafter expressed. In such examinations, we have assumed the authenticity of all documents submitted to us as electronic copies or drafts of documents to be executed, the genuineness of all signatures, and the legal competence or capacity of persons or entities to execute and deliver such documents. As to various questions of fact which are material to the opinions hereinafter expressed, we have relied upon statements or certificates of public officials, directors of the Corporation and others, and have made no independent investigation, but have assumed that any representation, warranty or statement of fact or law, other than as to the laws of the RMI, made in any of the Documents is true, accurate and complete.

Telephone: +692-625-3602 Email: dreeder@ntamar.net r.simpson@simpson.gr Based upon and subject to the foregoing, and having regard to such other legal considerations that we deem relevant, we are of the opinion that:

Under the laws of the RMI when the Preferred Shares have been issued and delivered in accordance with the terms of the Registration Statement, the Prospectus and the Underwriting Agreement upon payment of the consideration thereof or provided for therein, then the Preferred Shares will be validly issued, fully paid and non-assessable.

We qualify our opinion to the extent that we express no opinion as to any law other than the laws of the RMI, including the statutes and Constitution of the RMI, as in effect on the date hereof and the reported judicial decisions interpreting such statutes and constitution. None of the opinions expressed herein relates to compliance with or matters governed by the laws of any jurisdiction except the RMI.

We hereby consent to the filing of this opinion as an exhibit to the Registration Statement, and to each reference to us under the heading "*Legal Matters*" in the Registration Statement, the Preliminary Prospectus and the Prospectus, without admitting we are an "expert" within the meaning of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Dennis J. Reeder

Dennis J. Reeder Reeder & Simpson P.C.

December 10, 2012

Seaspan Corporation Unit 2, 7th Floor Bupa Centre 141 Connaught Road West Hong Kong China

Re: Seaspan Corporation Registration Statement on Form F-3

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have acted as counsel for Seaspan Corporation, an entity organized and existing under the laws of the Republic of The Marshall Islands (the "Company"), in connection with the preparation and filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") pursuant to the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act") of a preliminary prospectus supplement dated December 5, 2012 pursuant to Rule 424(b)(5) (the "Preliminary Prospectus Supplement") and a final prospectus supplement dated December 10, 2012 pursuant to Rule 424(b)(5) (the "Preliminary Prospectus Supplement") to that certain registration statement on Form F-3 which became effective on August 30, 2010 (such registration statement, together with the Preliminary Prospectus Supplement and the Prospectus Supplement, the "Registration Statement"), for the offering and sale of up to 3,105,000 shares of 7.95% Series D Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock ("Series D Preferred Shares") of the Company, including 405,000 shares issuable upon exercise of the underwriters' option to purchase additional shares.

You have requested our opinion regarding certain United States federal income tax considerations that may be relevant to prospective holders of our Series D Preferred Shares. In rendering our opinion, we have examined and relied upon the truth, accuracy, and completeness of the facts, statements and representations contained in (i) the Registration Statement, (ii) the certificate of the Company and certain of its affiliates (the "Tax Certificate"), and (iii) such other documents, certificates, records, statements and representations made by the Company as we have deemed necessary or appropriate as a basis for the opinion set forth below. We have not, however, undertaken an independent investigation of any factual matters set forth in any of the foregoing.

In addition, we have assumed, with your permission, (i) that the statements and representations concerning the Company and its operations contained in the Registration Statement, and the statements and representations contained in the Tax Certificate, are true, correct and complete and will remain true, correct and complete at all relevant times and (ii) the authenticity of original documents submitted to us, the conformity to the originals of documents submitted to us as copies, and the due and valid execution and delivery of all such documents where due execution and delivery are a prerequisite to the effectiveness thereof.

Based upon the foregoing and subject to the limitations, qualifications, assumptions and caveats set forth herein and in the Registration Statement, we hereby confirm our opinions set forth in the Registration Statement under the heading "Material U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations."

We hereby consent to the discussion of this opinion in the Registration Statement, to the filing of this opinion as an exhibit to the Registration Statement and to the use of our name under the captions "Legal Matters" and "Material U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations" in the Registration Statement. In giving this consent, we do not thereby admit that we are in the category of persons whose consent is required under Section 7 of the Securities Act, nor do we admit that we are experts with respect to any part of the Registration Statement within the meaning of the term "expert" as used in the Securities Act or the rules and regulations of the Commission promulgated thereunder.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Perkins Coie LLP

REEDER & SIMPSON PC ATTORNEYS AT LAW

P.O. Box 601 RRE Commercial Center Majuro, MH 96960

December 10, 2012

Seaspan Corporation Unit 2, 7th Floor, Bupa Centre 141 Connaught Road West Hong Kong, China

Re: Seaspan Corporation

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have acted as Republic of the Marshall Islands (the "*RMI*"), counsel to Seaspan Corporation, a corporation formed under the laws of the RMI (the "*Corporation*"), with respect to the preparation of a preliminary prospectus supplement dated December 5, 2012 (the "*Preliminary Prospectus*") and a final prospectus supplement dated December 10, 2012 (the "*Prospectus*") to that certain Registration Statement on Form F-3 (333-168938), which became effective on August 30, 2010 (the "*Registration Statement*"), for the offering and sale by the Corporation of up to 3,105,000 shares of the Corporation's 7.95% Series D Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock (the "*Preferred Shares*"), including 405,000 shares issuable upon exercise of the underwriters' option to purchase additional shares.

In connection therewith, we have prepared the discussion regarding Marshall Islands tax consequences set forth in the Preliminary Prospectus and the Prospectus under the caption "Non-U.S. Tax Considerations—Marshall Islands Tax Consequences" (the "*Discussion*").

All statements of legal conclusions contained in the Discussion, unless otherwise noted, are our opinion with respect to the matters set forth therein as of the date of each of the Preliminary Prospectus and the Prospectus. In addition, we are of the opinion that the Discussion, with respect to those matters as to which no legal conclusions are provided, is an accurate discussion of such RMI tax matters (except for the representations and statements of fact of the Corporation, included in the Discussion, as to which we express no opinion).

Telephone: +692-625-3602 Email: dreeder@ntamarn.net r.simpson@simpson.gr We hereby consent to the filing of this opinion as an exhibit to the Registration Statement and to the use of our name in the Registration Statement, the Preliminary Prospectus and the Prospectus. This consent does not constitute an admission that we are an "expert" within the meaning of such term as used in the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission issued thereunder.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Dennis J. Reeder

Dennis J. Reeder Reeder & Simpson, P.C. Seaspan Corporation Unit 2, 7th Floor, Bupa Centre 141 Connaught Road West Hong Kong, China

Attention: Sai W. Chu, Chief Financial Officer

Dear Sirs/Mesdames:

RE: Seaspan Corporation - Preliminary Prospectus Supplement and Prospectus Supplement

We have acted as Canadian tax counsel of Seaspan Corporation (the "**Company**") with respect to certain legal matters in connection with the preparation and filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "**Commission**") pursuant to the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "**Securities Act**"), of a preliminary prospectus supplement dated December 5, 2012 pursuant to Rule 424(b) (the "**Preliminary Prospectus Supplement**") and a final prospectus supplement dated December 10, 2012 pursuant to Rule 424(b) (the "**Prespectus Supplement**") to that certain registration statement on Form F-3 which became effective on August 30, 2010 (such registration statement, the "**Registration Statement**"), for the offering and sale of up to 3,105,000 shares of the Company's 7.95% Series D Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, including 405,000 shares issuable upon exercise of the underwriters' option to purchase additional shares.

In connection therewith, we have reviewed the discussion set forth under the caption "Non-United States Tax Considerations – Canadian Federal Income Tax Considerations" in the Preliminary Prospectus Supplement and the Prospectus Supplement (the "**Discussion**").

All statements of legal conclusions contained in the Discussion, unless otherwise noted, in our opinion are correct and accurate with respect to the matters set forth therein as of the effective date of the Preliminary Prospectus Supplement and the Prospectus Supplement. In addition, we are of the opinion that the Discussion, with respect to those matters as to which no legal conclusions are provided, is an accurate discussion of such Canadian federal income tax matters (except for the representations and statements of fact of the Company included in the Discussion, as to which we express no opinion).

We hereby consent to the filing of this opinion as an exhibit to the Preliminary Prospectus Supplement and the Prospectus Supplement and to the use of our name in the Preliminary Prospectus Supplement and the Prospectus Supplement. This consent does not constitute an admission that we are "experts" within the meaning of such term as used in the *Securities Act* of 1933, as amended, or the rules and regulations of the Commission issued thereunder.

Yours truly, /s/ Farris, Vaughan, Wills & Murphy LLP

Reference: 30423-0001