

Star Bulk Carriers Corp.
Form SC 13G
February 02, 2017

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

**SCHEDULE
13G**

**Under the
Securities
Exchange Act of
1934**

STAR BULK
CARRIERS
CORP.
(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock,
par value \$0.01
per share
(Title of Class of
Securities)

Y8162K204
(CUSIP Number)

January 23, 2017
(Date of Event
Which Requires
Filing of This
Statement)

Check the
appropriate box
to designate the
rule pursuant to
which this
Schedule is filed:

☐ Rule 13d-1(b)

☒ Rule 13d-1(c)

☐ Rule 13d-1(d)

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*The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter the disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required in the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

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	NAME OF REPORTING PERSON
1	SENATOR INVESTMENT GROUP LP CHECK THE APPROPRIATE
2	BOX IF A MEMBER (b) "
	OF A GROUP
3	SEC USE ONLY CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF
4	ORGANIZATION
	DELAWARE SOLE VOTING
5	POWER
	0 SHARED VOTING
NUMBER OF SHARES	6 POWER
BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH:	4,078,940 SOLE DISPOSITIVE 7 POWER
	0 SHARED DISPOSITIVE
	8 POWER
	4,078,940 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON
9	4,078,940

10	CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN .. ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY
11	AMOUNT IN ROW (9)
12	6.83% TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON IA, PN

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1	NAME OF REPORTING PERSON
2	ALEXANDER KLABIN CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER (b) " "
3	OF A GROUP SEC USE ONLY CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION
5	UNITED STATES SOLE VOTING POWER
6	0 SHARED VOTING POWER
7	4,078,940 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER
8	0 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER
9	4,078,940 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON
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6.83%
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1	NAME OF REPORTING PERSON
2	DOUGLAS SILVERMAN CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER (b) " "
3	OF A GROUP SEC USE ONLY CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION
5	UNITED STATES SOLE VOTING POWER
6	0 SHARED VOTING POWER
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8	0 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER
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Item 1(a). NAME OF ISSUER

Star Bulk Carriers Corp. (The “Issuer”)

Item 1(b). ADDRESS OF ISSUER’S PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICES

c/o Star Bulk Management Inc.
40 Agiou Konstantinou Street,
15124 Maroussi,
Athens, Greece

Item 2(a). NAME OF PERSON FILING

Senator Investment Group LP (“Senator Investment Group”) serves as investment manager to various investment funds (collectively, the “Funds”), and as such, has investment discretion with respect to the Funds. Alexander Klabin (“Mr. Klabin”) and Douglas Silverman (“Mr. Silverman,” and together with Mr. Klabin and Senator Investment Group, the “Reporting Persons”) have control of a Delaware limited liability company that may be deemed to control Senator Investment Group.

The filing of this statement should not be construed as an admission that any of the Reporting Persons is, for the purposes of Section 13 of the Act, the beneficial owner of the Common Stock reported herein.

Item 2(b). ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL BUSINESS OFFICE OR, IF NONE, RESIDENCE

The principal office of each of the Reporting Persons is:

c/o Senator Investment Group LP
510 Madison Avenue
28th Floor
New York, NY 10022

Item 2(c). CITIZENSHIP

Senator Investment Group LP is a Delaware limited partnership. Each of Messrs. Klabin and Silverman is a United States citizen.

Item 2(d). TITLE OF CLASS OF SECURITIES

Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share (the “Common Stock”).

Item 2(e). CUSIP NUMBER

Y8162K204

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Item 3. IF THIS STATEMENT IS FILED PURSUANT TO Rules 13d-1(b), OR 13d-2(b) OR (c), CHECK WHETHER THE PERSON FILING IS A:

- (a) "Broker or dealer registered under Section 15 of the Act;
- (b) "Bank as defined in Section 3(a)(6) of the Act;
- (c) "Insurance company as defined in Section 3(a)(19) of the Act;
- (d) "Investment company registered under Section 8 of the Investment Company Act of 1940;
- (e) "An investment adviser in accordance with Rule 13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(E);
- (f) "An employee benefit plan or endowment fund in accordance with Rule 13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(F);
- (g) "A parent holding company or control person in accordance with Rule 13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(G);
- (h) "A savings association as defined in Section 3(b) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act;
- (i) "A church plan that is excluded from the definition of an investment company under Section 3(c)(14) of the Investment Company Act;
- (j) "A non-U.S. institution in accordance with Rule 13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(J);
- (k) "Group, in accordance with Rule 13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(K).

If filing as a non-U.S. institution in accordance with Rule 13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(J), please

specify the type of institution: _____

Item 4. OWNERSHIP

The percentages used herein are calculated based upon an aggregate of 59,725,337 shares of Common Stock issued and outstanding, which is the sum of (i) 56,659,357 shares of Common Stock issued and outstanding as of January 20, 2017 according to data received from the Issuer and (ii) 3,065,980 shares of Common Stock issued by the Issuer to the Reporting Persons in the private placement described in Exhibit 99.1 attached to the Report of Foreign Private Issuer on Form 6-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on January 24, 2017.

Senator Investment Group

(a) Amount of beneficially owned: 4,078,940

(b) Percent of class: 6.48%

(c) Number of shares as to which such person has:

(i) Sole power to vote or to direct the vote: 0

- (ii) Shared power to vote or to direct the vote: 4,078,940
- (iii) Sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of: 0
- (iv) Shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of: 4,078,940

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Mr. Klabin

- (a) Amount of beneficially owned: 4,078,940
- (b) Percent of class: 6.48%
- (c) Number of shares as to which such person has:
 - (i) Sole power to vote or to direct the vote: 0
 - (ii) Shared power to vote or to direct the vote: 4,078,940
 - (iii) Sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of: 0
 - (iv) Shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of: 4,078,940

Mr. Silverman

- (a) Amount of beneficially owned: 4,078,940
- (b) Percent of class: 6.48%
- (c) Number of shares as to which such person has:
 - (i) Sole power to vote or to direct the vote: 0
 - (ii) Shared power to vote or to direct the vote: 4,078,940
 - (iii) Sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of: 0
 - (iv) Shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of: 4,078,940

Item 5. OWNERSHIP OF FIVE PERCENT OR LESS OF A CLASS

Not applicable.

Item 6. OWNERSHIP OF MORE THAN FIVE PERCENT ON BEHALF OF ANOTHER PERSON

The partners and shareholders of the Funds have the right to participate in the receipt of dividends from, or proceeds from the sale of, the securities reported herein held by the Funds in accordance with their respective ownership interests in the Funds.

Item 7. IDENTIFICATION AND CLASSIFICATION OF THE SUBSIDIARY WHICH ACQUIRED THE SECURITY BEING REPORTED ON BY THE PARENT HOLDING COMPANY OR CONTROL PERSON

Not applicable.

Item 8. IDENTIFICATION AND CLASSIFICATION OF MEMBERS OF THE GROUP

Not applicable.

Item 9. NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION OF GROUP

Not applicable.

Item 10. CERTIFICATION

By signing below each of the Reporting Persons certifies that, to the best of his or its knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having such purpose or effect.

SIGNATURES

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of our knowledge and belief, the undersigned certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

DATE: as of February 2, 2017

SENATOR INVESTMENT GROUP LP

/s/ Evan Gartenlaub

Name: Evan Gartenlaub

Title: General Counsel

/s/ Evan Gartenlaub as Attorney-in-Fact*

ALEXANDER KLABIN

/s/ Evan Gartenlaub as Attorney-in-Fact*

DOUGLAS SILVERMAN

* Pursuant to a Power of Attorney attached to the Schedule 13G filed by the Reporting Persons on April 24, 2013.

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Exhibit 1

**JOINT FILING AGREEMENT
PURSUANT TO RULE 13d-1(k)**

The undersigned acknowledge and agree that the foregoing statement on Schedule 13G is filed on behalf of each of the undersigned and that all subsequent amendments to this statement on Schedule 13G shall be filed on behalf of each of the undersigned without the necessity of filing additional joint acquisition statements. The undersigned acknowledge that each shall be responsible for the timely filing of such amendments, and for the completeness and accuracy of the information concerning him or it contained therein, but shall not be responsible for the completeness and accuracy of the information concerning the others, except to the extent that he or it knows or has reason to believe that such information is inaccurate.

DATE: as of February 2, 2017

SENATOR INVESTMENT GROUP LP

/s/ Evan Gartenlaub

Name: Evan Gartenlaub

Title: General Counsel

/s/ Evan Gartenlaub as Attorney-in-Fact*

ALEXANDER KLABIN

/s/ Evan Gartenlaub as Attorney-in-Fact*

DOUGLAS SILVERMAN

* Pursuant to a Power of Attorney attached to the Schedule 13G filed by the Reporting Persons on April 24, 2013.