#### MCLACHLIN DANIEL

Form 4

February 28, 2005

## FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and A MCLACHL	Symbol	NABORS INDUSTRIES LTD				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)				
	(First) (M RS CORPORATE , 515 WEST GRE	3. Date of (Month/E) (Mo2/24/2)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/24/2005				Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) VICE PRESIDENT/ADMINISTRATION			
HOUSTON		Filed(Mon	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person uired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned			
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)  Common Stock	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)  02/24/2005		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)  Code V A(1)	4. Securi	ties A ispose 4 and (A) or	cquired d of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	•	

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number out Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8 D S S (1
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 57.65	02/24/2005		A	1,000	06/01/2005	02/24/2015	Common Stock	1,000	

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MCLACHLIN DANIEL C/O NABORS CORPORATE SERVICES 515 WEST GREENS ROAD HOUSTON, TX 77067

VICE PRESIDENT/ADMINISTRATION

### **Signatures**

**DANIEL** 

MCLACHLIN 02/28/2005

\*\*Signature of Reporting Date
Person

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) The restricted stock award vest in four (4) equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the date of the award.

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