

U.S. Shipping Partners L.P.
Form 8-K
January 14, 2009

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

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

**PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): January 13, 2009

U.S. Shipping Partners L.P.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

001-32326
(Commission File
Number)

20-1447743
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

399 Thornall St., 8th Floor
Edison, NJ
(Address of principal executive offices)
Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(732) 635-1500**

08837
(Zip Code)

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2 below):

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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 - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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SECTION 8 OTHER EVENTS.

Item 8.01. Other Events

On January 13, 2009 the Partnership issued a press release announcing that its joint venture for the construction of five US Flag product/chemical tankers took delivery of the product tanker Golden State:

SECTION 9 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit Number	Title
99.1	Press Release dated January 13, 2009

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

U.S. SHIPPING PARTNERS L.P.

By: U.S. Shipping General Partner LLC,
its general partner

By: /s/ Ronald L. O Kelley

Name: Ronald L. O Kelley
Title: President and Chief Executive Officer
(principal executive officer)

Date: January 14, 2009

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