



Genco Shipping & Trading Limited

2023 Annual Report



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The contents of this 2023 Annual Report, other than the Performance Graph, have been excerpted from our Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the “SEC”) on February 27, 2024 (the “Form 10-K”). Such contents speak only as of the date of the Form 10-K. For updated information, please refer to our subsequent filings with the SEC, including our reports on Form 10-Q and Form 8-K.

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BUSINESS

OVERVIEW

General

We are a New York City-based company incorporated in the Marshall Islands in 2004. We transport iron ore, coal, grain, steel products and other drybulk cargoes along worldwide shipping routes through the ownership and operation of drybulk vessels. Our fleet currently consists of 45 drybulk carriers, including 18 Capesize drybulk carriers, 15 Ultramax drybulk carriers, and twelve Supramax drybulk carriers with an aggregate carrying capacity of approximately 4,828,000 deadweight tons (“dwt”). The average age of our current fleet is approximately 11.7 years. All of the vessels in our fleet were built in shipyards with reputations for constructing high-quality vessels. We seek to deploy our vessels on time charters, spot market voyage charters, spot market-related time charters or in vessel pools trading in the spot market, to reputable charterers. Of the vessels currently in our fleet, 20 are on spot market voyage charters, 20 are on fixed-rate time charter contracts, five are on spot market-related time charters, and we are currently time chartering-in four third party vessels.

See pages 5 – 6 in the Form 10-K for a table of our current fleet.

Our approach towards fleet composition is to own a high-quality fleet of vessels that focuses on Capesize, Ultramax and Supramax vessels. Capesize vessels represent our major bulk vessel category while Ultramax and Supramax vessels represent our minor bulk vessel category. Our major bulk vessels are primarily used to transport iron ore, coal and bauxite, while our minor bulk vessels are primarily used to transport grains, steel products and other drybulk cargoes such as cement, scrap, fertilizer, nickel ore, salt and sugar. This approach of owning ships that transport both major and minor bulk commodities provide us with exposure to a wide range of drybulk trade flows. We employ an active commercial strategy which consists of a global team located in the U.S., Copenhagen and Singapore. Overall, we utilize a portfolio approach to revenue generation through a combination of short-term, spot market employment, index-linked time charters as well as opportunistically booking longer term fixed-rate coverage. Our fleet deployment strategy currently is weighted towards short-term fixtures, which provides us with optionality on our sizeable fleet. However, depending on market conditions, we may seek to enter into additional longer term time charter contracts or contracts of affreightment. In addition to both short and long-term time charters, we fix our vessels on spot market voyage charters as well as spot market-related time charters depending on market conditions and management’s outlook.

On November 29, 2023, we entered into an amendment to extend and upsize our prior \$450 Million Credit Facility. The amended structure consists of a \$500 million revolving credit facility (the “\$500 Million Revolver”) which can be utilized to support growth of our asset base, as well as for general corporate purposes. The maturity date was extended from August 2026 to November 2028.

Our approach to capital allocation, through the implementation of our value strategy in April 2021, focuses on three key factors:

- Compelling dividends
- Financial deleveraging, and
- Accretive growth of our fleet

Since 2021, we have executed this strategy by reducing our debt by \$249.2 million as of December 31, 2023 while expanding our core Ultramax and Capesize fleet. This has resulted in a debt balance of \$200.0 million as of December 31, 2023, a 55% reduction from January 1, 2021 levels. These actions have enabled us to further reduce our cash flow breakeven rate positioning us to pay sizeable quarterly dividends across diverse market environments. In addition to the \$46.9 million of cash on our balance sheet as of December 31, 2023, we have undrawn revolver availability of \$294.8 million, bringing our total liquidity to \$341.7 million providing us with significant financial flexibility. Furthermore, since the fourth quarter of 2021 through the fourth quarter of 2023, we have declared cumulative dividends under our value strategy of \$4.10 per share.

Our Operations

We report financial information and evaluate our operations by charter revenues and not by the length of ship employment for our customers, i.e., spot or time charters. Each of our vessels serves the same type of customer, has similar operations and maintenance requirements, operates in the same regulatory environment, and is subject to similar economic characteristics. Based on this, we have determined that we operate in one reportable segment in which we are engaged in the ocean transportation of drybulk cargoes worldwide through the ownership and operation of drybulk carrier vessels.

Our management team and our other employees are responsible for the commercial and strategic management of our fleet. Commercial management includes the negotiation of charters for vessels, managing the mix of various types of charters, such as time charters, spot market voyage charters and spot market-related time charters, and monitoring the performance of our vessels under their charters. Strategic management includes locating, purchasing, financing and selling vessels. Technical management involves the day-to-day management of vessels, including performing routine maintenance, attending to vessel operations and arranging for crews and supplies. In September 2021, we entered into a joint venture named GS Shipmanagement Pte. Ltd (“GSSM”) with Synergy Marine Pte. Ltd. (“Synergy”), one of our previous technical managers. GSSM currently provides the technical management to all 45 vessels in our current fleet. This joint venture has increased our visibility and control over our vessel operations, augmented fleet-wide fuel efficiency to lower our carbon footprint through an advanced data platform and will potentially provide vessel operating expense savings over time. Members of our New York City-based management team oversee the activities of GSSM.

MANAGEMENT’S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

General

The following Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations (MD&A) is intended to help the reader understand our results of operations and financial condition. The MD&A is provided as a supplement to, and should be read in conjunction with, our consolidated financial statements and notes thereto included in Item 8 – Financial Statements and Supplementary Data.

The MD&A generally discusses 2023 and 2022 items and year-to-year comparisons between 2023 and 2022. Discussions of 2021 items and year-to-year comparisons between 2022 and 2021 that are not included in this Form 10-K can be found in “Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations” in the Company’s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2022 filed with the SEC on February 22, 2023.

We are a Marshall Islands company that transports iron ore, coal, grain, steel products and other drybulk cargoes along worldwide shipping routes through the ownership and operation of drybulk carrier vessels. Our fleet currently consist of 45 drybulk carriers, including 18 Capesize drybulk carriers, 15 Ultramax drybulk carriers, and twelve Supramax drybulk carriers with an aggregate carrying capacity of approximately 4,828,000 deadweight tons (“dwt”). The average age of our current fleet is approximately 11.7 years. We seek to deploy our vessels on time charters, spot market voyage charters, spot market-related time charters or in vessel pools trading in the spot market, to reputable charterers. The majority of the vessels in our current fleet are presently engaged under time charter, spot market voyage charters and spot market-related time charters that expire (assuming the option periods in the time charters are not exercised) between February 2024 and February 2025.

See pages 5 – 6 in the Form 10-K for a table of our current fleet.

IMO 2023 Compliance

In 2021, Genco initiated a comprehensive plan to comply with IMO regulations that took effect in 2023, namely the Energy Efficiency Existing Ship Index (“EEXI”) and the Carbon Intensity Indicator (“CI”) metrics, which call for a reduction in vessel greenhouse gas emissions. These metrics are intended to assess and measure the energy efficiency of all ships and these new regulations set required attainment values, with the goal of reducing the carbon intensity of international shipping.

We have invested and plan to continue to invest in energy conservation programs to install various energy-saving devices, or ESDs, high performance paint systems, upgrade propellers among other initiatives on select vessels in our fleet. We began installing these ESDs on certain ships that entered drydocking in 2022, and we plan to continue to invest in our fleet.

These requirements are discussed above under “Item 1 – Environmental and Other Regulations – Air Emissions.”

IMO 2030 to 2050 Guidelines

During the week of July 3, 2023, the Marine Environment Protection Committee, a sub-committee of the IMO, met in London focusing on medium to long term decarbonization targets for the shipping industry. New targets for greenhouse gas emissions reductions as compared to 2008 levels are below which are to be reviewed every five years:

- 2030: 20% reduction while striving for 30%
- 2040: 70% reduction while striving for 80%
- 2050: net zero at or around 2050

These requirements are discussed above under “Item 1 – Environmental and Other Regulations – Greenhouse Gas Regulations.”

Vessel Sales and Acquisitions

On October 10, 2023 and November 14, 2023, we entered into agreements to acquire two 2016-built 181,000 dwt Capesize vessels, the Genco Ranger and Genco Reliance, respectively. The purchase price of the Genco Ranger and Genco Reliance were \$43.1 million and \$43.0 million, respectively, and the vessels were delivered on November 27, 2023 and November 21, 2023, respectively. We drew down a total of \$65 million on our revolving credit facility under the \$450 Million Credit Facility during the fourth quarter of 2023 and utilized cash on hand to finance the purchases.

In order to opportunistically renew our fleet, in addition to the above vessel purchases, we agreed to divest three older, less fuel efficient vessels with their third special survey due in 2024. During the fourth quarter of 2023, we entered into agreements to sell three of our Capesize vessels, the Genco Claudius, Genco Commodus and Genco Maximus. The Genco Commodus was delivered to its third-party buyer on February 7, 2024. On February 24, 2024, we terminated the agreements to sell the Genco Claudius and the Genco Maximus due to the buyers' breach of the agreements' terms. We continue to market these vessels for sale in what we believe are favorable market conditions that may allow us to sell the vessels at prices above those previously agreed with the former buyers.

On May 18, 2021, we entered into agreements to acquire two 2022-built 61,000 dwt newbuilding Ultramax vessels from Dalian Cosco KHI Ship Engineering Co. Ltd. for a purchase price of \$29.2 million each, which were renamed the Genco Mary and the Genco Laddey. The vessels were delivered on January 6, 2022, and we used cash on hand to finance the purchases.

We will continue to seek opportunities to renew our fleet going forward.

Factors Affecting Our Results of Operations

We believe that the following table reflects important measures for analyzing trends in our results of operations. The table reflects our ownership days, chartered-in days, available days, operating days, fleet utilization, TCE rates and daily vessel operating expenses for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022 on a consolidated basis.

	For the Year Ended December 31,		Increase (Decrease)	% Change
	2023	2022		
Fleet Data:				
<i>Ownership days (1)</i>				
Capesize	6,280.2	6,205.0	75.2	1.2 %
Ultramax	5,475.0	5,464.9	10.1	0.2 %
Supramax	4,380.0	4,380.0	—	— %
Total	16,135.2	16,049.9	85.3	0.5 %
<i>Chartered-in days (2)</i>				
Capesize	—	—	—	— %
Ultramax	435.4	476.8	(41.4)	(8.7)%
Supramax	120.9	584.9	(464.0)	(79.3)%
Total	556.3	1,061.7	(505.4)	(47.6)%
<i>Available days (owned & chartered-in fleet) (3)</i>				
Capesize	6,138.2	5,458.2	680.0	12.5 %
Ultramax	5,880.0	5,793.5	86.5	1.5 %
Supramax	4,244.5	4,817.8	(573.3)	(11.9)%
Total	16,262.7	16,069.5	193.2	1.2 %
<i>Available days (owned fleet) (4)</i>				
Capesize	6,138.2	5,458.2	680.0	12.5 %
Ultramax	5,444.6	5,316.7	127.9	2.4 %
Supramax	4,123.6	4,232.9	(109.3)	(2.6)%
Total	15,706.4	15,007.8	698.6	4.7 %
<i>Operating days (5)</i>				
Capesize	6,088.6	5,329.2	759.4	14.2 %
Ultramax	5,745.4	5,730.0	15.4	0.3 %
Supramax	4,167.4	4,681.6	(514.2)	(11.0)%
Total	16,001.4	15,740.8	260.6	1.7 %
<i>Fleet utilization (6)</i>				
Capesize	98.1 %	96.8 %	1.3 %	1.3 %
Ultramax	97.2 %	97.7 %	(0.5)%	(0.5)%
Supramax	96.1 %	94.7 %	1.4 %	1.5 %
Fleet average	97.3 %	96.5 %	0.8 %	0.8 %

	For the Year Ended		Increase (Decrease)	% Change
	December 31,			
	2023	2022		
Average Daily Results:				
<i>Time Charter Equivalent (7)</i>				
Capesize	\$ 18,280	\$ 22,492	\$ (4,212)	(18.7)%
Ultramax	13,780	25,945	(12,165)	(46.9)%
Supramax	10,840	22,873	(12,033)	(52.6)%
Fleet average	14,766	23,824	(9,058)	(38.0)%
Major bulk vessels	18,280	22,492	(4,212)	(18.7)%
Minor bulk vessels	12,512	24,585	(12,073)	(49.1)%
<i>Daily vessel operating expenses (8)</i>				
Capesize	\$ 6,270	\$ 6,023	\$ 247	4.1 %
Ultramax	5,449	5,450	(1)	(0.0)%
Supramax	6,405	7,382	(977)	(13.2)%
Fleet average	6,017	6,197	(180)	(2.9)%

- (1) Ownership days. We define ownership days as the aggregate number of days in a period during which each vessel in our fleet has been owned by us. Ownership days are an indicator of the size of our fleet over a period and affect both the amount of revenues and the amount of expenses that we record during a period.
- (2) Chartered-in days. We define chartered-in days as the aggregate number of days in a period during which we chartered-in third party vessels.
- (3) Available days (owned and chartered-in fleet). We define available days as the number of our ownership days and chartered-in days less the aggregate number of days that our vessels are off-hire due to familiarization upon acquisition, repairs or repairs under guarantee, vessel upgrades or special surveys. Companies in the shipping industry generally use available days to measure the number of days in a period during which vessels should be capable of generating revenues.
- (4) Available days (owned fleet). We define available days for the owned fleet as available days less chartered-in days.
- (5) Operating days. We define operating days as the number of our total available days in a period less the aggregate number of days that our vessels are off-hire due to unforeseen circumstances. The shipping industry uses operating days to measure the aggregate number of days in a period during which vessels actually generate revenues.
- (6) Fleet utilization. We calculate fleet utilization as the number of our operating days during a period divided by the number of ownership days plus chartered-in days less drydocking days.
- (7) Time Charter Equivalent (“TCE”). We define TCE rates as our voyage revenues less voyage expenses, charter-hire expenses, and realized gains or losses on fuel hedges, divided by the number of the available days of our owned fleet during the period. TCE rate is a common shipping industry performance measure used primarily to compare daily earnings generated by vessels on time charters with daily earnings generated by vessels on voyage charters, because charterhire rates for vessels on voyage charters are generally not expressed in per-day amounts while charterhire rates for vessels on time charters generally are expressed in such amounts.

	Entire Fleet		Major Bulk		Minor Bulk	
	For the Year Ended December 31,		For the Year Ended December 31,		For the Year Ended December 31,	
	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022
Voyage revenues (in thousands)	\$ 383,825	\$ 536,934	\$ 190,176	\$ 191,934	\$ 193,649	\$ 345,000
Voyage expenses (in thousands)	142,971	153,889	77,968	69,166	65,003	84,723
Charter hire expenses (in thousands)	9,135	27,130	—	—	9,135	27,130
Realized gain on fuel hedges (in thousands)	202	1,631	—	—	202	1,631
	231,921	357,546	112,208	122,768	119,713	234,778
Total available days for owned fleet	15,706	15,008	6,138	5,458	9,568	9,550
Total TCE rate	\$ 14,766	\$ 23,824	\$ 18,280	\$ 22,492	\$ 12,512	\$ 24,585

- (8) Daily vessel operating expenses. We define daily vessel operating expenses to include crew wages and related costs, the cost of insurance, expenses relating to repairs and maintenance (excluding drydocking), the costs of spares and consumable stores, tonnage taxes and other miscellaneous expenses. Daily vessel operating expenses are calculated by dividing vessel operating expenses by ownership days for the relevant period.

Operating Data

The following tables represent the operating data and certain balance sheet and other data as of and for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022 on a consolidated basis.

	For the Years Ended December 31,			
	2023	2022	Change	% Change
Income Statement Data:				
(U.S. Dollars in thousands, except for per share amounts)				
<i>Revenue:</i>				
Voyage revenues	\$ 383,825	\$ 536,934	\$ (153,109)	(28.5)%
Total revenues	383,825	536,934	(153,109)	(28.5)%
<i>Operating Expenses:</i>				
Voyage expenses	142,971	153,889	(10,918)	(7.1)%
Vessel operating expenses	97,093	99,469	(2,376)	(2.4)%
Charter hire expenses	9,135	27,130	(17,995)	(66.3)%
General and administrative expenses (inclusive of nonvested stock amortization expense of \$5,530 and \$3,242, respectively)	28,268	25,708	2,560	10.0 %
Technical management fees	4,021	3,310	711	21.5 %
Depreciation and amortization	66,465	60,190	6,275	10.4 %
Impairment of vessel assets	41,719	—	41,719	100.0 %
Total operating expenses	389,672	369,696	19,976	5.4 %
Operating (loss) income	(5,847)	167,238	(173,085)	(103.5)%
Other expense, net	(6,509)	(7,874)	1,365	(17.3)%
Net (loss) income	(12,356)	159,364	(171,720)	(107.8)%
Less: Net income attributable to noncontrolling interest	514	788	(274)	(34.8)%
Net (loss) income attributable to Genco Shipping & Trading Limited	(12,870)	158,576	(171,446)	(108.1)%
Net (loss) earnings per share-basic	\$ (0.30)	\$ 3.74	\$ (4.04)	(108.0)%
Net (loss) earnings per share-diluted	\$ (0.30)	\$ 3.70	\$ (4.00)	(108.1)%
Weighted average common shares outstanding-basic	42,766,262	42,412,722	353,540	0.8 %
Weighted average common shares outstanding-diluted	42,766,262	42,915,496	(149,234)	(0.3)%

	For the Years Ended December 31,			
	2023	2022	Change	% Change
Balance Sheet Data:				
(U.S. Dollars in thousands, at end of period)				
Cash, including restricted cash	\$ 46,857	\$ 64,100	\$ (17,243)	(26.9)%
Total assets	1,141,902	1,173,866	(31,964)	(2.7)%
Total debt (long-term, net of deferred financing fees)	190,169	164,921	25,248	15.3 %
Total equity	914,646	968,309	(53,663)	(5.5)%
Other Data:				
(U.S. Dollars in thousands)				
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 91,784	\$ 189,323	\$ (97,539)	(51.5)%
Net cash used in investing activities	(91,624)	(55,015)	(36,609)	66.5 %
Net cash used in financing activities	(17,403)	(190,739)	173,336	(90.9)%
EBITDA (1)	\$ 59,708	\$ 226,818	\$ (167,110)	(73.7)%

(1) EBITDA represents net (loss) income attributable to Genco Shipping & Trading Limited plus net interest expense, taxes and depreciation and amortization. EBITDA is included because it is used by management and certain investors as a measure of operating performance. EBITDA is used by analysts in the shipping industry as a common performance measure to compare results across peers. Our management uses EBITDA as a performance measure in our consolidated internal financial statements, and it is presented for review at our board meetings. We believe that EBITDA is useful to investors as the shipping industry is capital intensive which often results in significant depreciation and cost of financing. EBITDA presents investors with a measure in addition to net income to evaluate our performance prior to these costs. EBITDA is not an item recognized by U.S. GAAP (i.e., non-GAAP measure) and should not be considered as an alternative to net income, operating income or any other indicator of a company's operating performance required by U.S. GAAP. EBITDA is not a measure of liquidity or cash flows as shown in our Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows. The definition of EBITDA used here may not be comparable to that used by other companies. The following table demonstrates our calculation of EBITDA and provides a reconciliation of EBITDA to net income attributable to Genco Shipping & Trading Limited for each of the periods presented above:

	For the Year Ended December 31,	
	2023	2022
Net (loss) income attributable to Genco Shipping & Trading Limited	\$ (12,870)	\$ 158,576
Net interest expense	6,113	8,052
Income tax expense	—	—
Depreciation and amortization	66,465	60,190
EBITDA (1)	<u>\$ 59,708</u>	<u>\$ 226,818</u>

Results of Operations

VOYAGE REVENUES-

Our revenues are driven primarily by the number of vessels in our fleet, the number of days during which our vessels operate, the type of fixture our vessels are chartered on (spot market voyage charters or fixed rate time charters), and the amount of daily charterhire or freight rates that our vessels earn, that, in turn, are affected by a number of factors, including:

- the duration of our charters;
- our decisions relating to vessel acquisitions and disposals;
- the amount of time that we spend positioning our vessels;

- the amount of time that our vessels spend in drydock undergoing repairs, which is expected to be higher during 2025 due to scheduled drydockings;
- maintenance and upgrade work;
- the age, condition and specifications of our vessels;
- levels of supply and demand in the drybulk shipping industry; and
- other factors affecting spot market charter rates for drybulk carriers.

During 2023, voyage revenues decreased by \$153.1 million, or 28.5%, to \$383.8 million as compared to \$536.9 million during 2022. The decrease in voyage revenues was primarily due to lower rates earned by our minor bulk vessels. Additionally, there was a decrease in voyage revenues earned by third party chartered-in vessels primarily as a result of fewer chartered-in days, as well as decrease in rates earned. During 2023, the drybulk freight market continued to experience significant volatility. Following the seasonal softness at the start of the year, the market began to strengthen during the end of the first quarter of 2023 and the early part of the second quarter of 2023. Subsequently, while trade volumes of iron ore and coal into China were strong, and unwinding of port congestion from April to September increased effective capacity of the fleet and pressured freight rates. This impact was notable during the third quarter in particular, which historically is a strong period for the market but in fact was atypically soft. During the fourth quarter of 2023, the market significantly rebounded reaching multi-year highs due to strong Brazilian iron ore volumes, as well as solid bauxite and coal trades while the unwinding of port congestion paused. On top of this, additional geopolitical factors began to materialize, including reductions in vessel traffic instituted by the Panama Canal Authority due to low water levels beginning in October and the later Houthi attacks on commercial vessels in the southern Red Sea and Gulf of Aden region. These two situations have resulted in vessel re-routing and increased fleet inefficiencies in the market. The impact of this is uncertain, as it may have the effect of raising drybulk shipping rates but may also impact global economic conditions, contributing to inflation and influencing monetary policy decisions, particularly in the West.

The average Time Charter Equivalent, or TCE rate, of our overall fleet decreased by 38.0% to \$14,766 a day during 2023 from \$23,824 a day during 2022. The TCE for our major bulk vessels decreased by 18.7% from \$22,492 a day during 2022 to \$18,280 a day during 2023. This decrease was primarily a result of higher voyage expenses incurred by our Capesize vessels. The TCE for our minor bulk vessels decreased by 49.1% from \$24,585 a day during 2022 to \$12,512 a day during 2023 primarily a result of lower rates achieved by our Ultramax and Supramax vessels, offset by lower voyage expenses.

For 2023 and 2022, we had ownership days of 16,135.2 days and 16,049.9 days, respectively. The increase in ownership days was due to the delivery of two Ultramax vessels during January 2022 and two Capesize vessels during November 2023. Fleet utilization increased from 96.5% during 2022 to 97.3% during 2023 primarily due to less offhire time for our Capesize vessels.

Please see pages 7 - 8 in the Form 10-K for a table that sets forth information about the current employment of the vessels in our fleet.

VOYAGE EXPENSES-

In time charters and spot market-related time charters, operating costs including crews, maintenance and insurance are typically paid by the owner of the vessel and specified voyage costs such as fuel and port charges are paid by the charterer. These expenses are borne by the Company during spot market voyage charters. There are certain other non-specified voyage expenses such as commissions which are typically borne by us. Voyage expenses include port and canal charges, fuel (bunker) expenses and brokerage commissions payable to unaffiliated third parties. Port and canal charges and bunker expenses primarily increase in periods during which vessels are employed on spot market voyage

charters because these expenses are for the account of the vessel owner. At the inception of a time charter, we record the difference between the cost of bunker fuel delivered by the terminating charterer and the bunker fuel sold to the new charterer as a gain or loss within voyage expenses. Voyage expenses also include the cost of bunkers consumed during short-term time charters pursuant to the terms of the time charter agreement. Additionally, we may record lower of cost and net realizable value adjustments to re-value the bunker fuel on a quarterly basis for certain time charter agreements where the inventory is subject to gains and losses. Refer to Note 2 — Summary of Significant Accounting Policies in our Consolidated Financial Statements.

Voyage expenses were \$143.0 million and \$153.9 million during 2023 and 2022, respectively. This decrease was primarily due to lower bunker expenses for our minor bulk vessels and third-party chartered-in vessels, partially offset by higher voyage expenses incurred by our major bulk vessels.

VESSEL OPERATING EXPENSES-

Vessel operating expenses decreased by \$2.4 million from \$99.5 million during 2022 to \$97.1 million during 2023. This decrease was primarily due to an absence of COVID-19 related expenses, partially offset by an increase in the purchase of spare parts, higher insurance related costs, and higher crew costs due to the timing of crew changes.

Average daily vessel operating expenses (“DVOE”) for our fleet decreased to \$6,017 per vessel per day during 2023 from \$6,197 per vessel per day during 2022. The decrease in daily vessel operating expenses was primarily due to the absence of COVID-19 related expenses, partially offset by an increase in the purchase of spare parts, higher insurance related costs, as well as higher crew costs due to the timing of crew changes.

The potential impact of the war in Ukraine, the Israel-Hamas war and the Houthi conflict in the Red Sea, are unpredictable, and the actual amount of our DVOE could be higher or lower than budgeted as a result.

Our vessel operating expenses increase to the extent our fleet expands. Other factors beyond our control, some of which may affect the shipping industry in general, including, for instance, developments relating to market prices for crewing, lubes, and insurance, may also cause these expenses to increase. Crew costs on our vessels could increase in the future due to higher wages as a result of the potential impact of the war in Ukraine, the Israel-Hamas war, and the Houthi conflict in the Red Sea among other potential macroeconomic events. We expect our 2024 vessel operating expenses to be higher than in 2023 as a result of increased expenses for crewing as well as spares and stores.

Based on estimates provided by GSSM, our DVOE budget for the full year of 2024 is expected to be \$6,150 per vessel per day. The potential impacts of the war in Ukraine, the Israel-Hamas war, and the Houthi conflict in the Red Sea among other potential macroeconomic events, are unpredictable, and the actual amount of our DVOE could be higher or lower than budgeted as a result.

CHARTER HIRE EXPENSES-

Charter hire expenses decreased by \$18.0 million from \$27.1 million during 2022 to \$9.1 million during 2023. The decrease was primarily due to a decrease in chartered-in days during 2023 as compared to 2022, as well as a decrease in hire rates.

GENERAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES-

We incur general and administrative expenses which relate to our onshore non-vessel-related activities. Our general and administrative expenses include our payroll expenses, including those relating to our executive officers, operating lease expense, legal, auditing and other professional expenses. General and administrative expenses include nonvested stock amortization expense which represents the amortization of stock-based compensation that has been issued to our Directors and employees pursuant to the 2015 Equity Incentive Plan. Refer to Note 16 — Stock-Based Compensation in our Consolidated Financial Statements. General and administrative expenses also include legal and professional fees associated with our credit facilities, which are not capitalizable to deferred financing costs. We also incur general and administrative expenses for our overseas offices located in Singapore and Copenhagen. We expect our 2024 general and administrative expenses to be higher than in 2023 as a result of costs related to our 2024 annual meeting.

General and administrative expenses increased by \$2.6 million from \$25.7 million during 2022 to \$28.3 million during 2023. The increase was primarily due to higher nonvested stock amortization expense.

TECHNICAL MANAGEMENT FEES-

Technical management fees include the direct costs incurred by GSSM for the technical management of the vessels under its management.

Technical management fees were \$4.0 million and \$3.3 million during 2023 and 2022, respectively. The variance was due to the timing of expenses during the year.

DEPRECIATION AND AMORTIZATION-

We depreciate the cost of our vessels on a straight-line basis over the expected useful life of each vessel. Depreciation is based on the cost of the vessel less its estimated residual value.

Depreciation and amortization expenses increased by \$6.3 million from \$60.2 million during 2022 to \$66.5 million during 2023. This increase was primarily due to an increase in drydocking amortization expense for the major bulk vessels that completed their drydockings during the second quarter of 2022 through the first quarter of 2023.

IMPAIRMENT OF VESSEL ASSETS-

During 2023, we recorded \$41.7 million of impairment of vessel assets. This included impairment losses for three of our Capesize vessels. There was no vessel impairment recorded during 2022.

Refer to Note 2 — Summary of Significant Accounting Policies in our Consolidated Financial Statements for further information regarding the impairment of the vessels.

OTHER INCOME (EXPENSE)-

INTEREST EXPENSE-

Interest expense decreased by \$0.3 million from \$9.1 million during 2022 to \$8.8 million during 2023. Interest expense during 2023 and 2022 consisted primarily of interest expense under our credit facilities and amortization of deferred financing costs for those facilities. The decrease was primarily a result of lower outstanding debt and settlement payments received under our interest rate cap agreements partially offset by higher interest rates. Refer to Note 7 — Debt in the Consolidated Financial Statements for information regarding our credit facilities.

INTEREST INCOME-

Interest income increased by \$1.7 million from \$1.0 million during 2022 to \$2.7 million during 2023 primarily due to higher interest income earned on our cash and cash equivalents.

NET INCOME ATTRIBUTABLE TO NONCONTROLLING INTEREST –

During 2023 and 2022, net income attributable to noncontrolling interest was \$0.5 million and \$0.8 million, respectively, which is associated with the net income attributable to the noncontrolling interest of GSSM, which was formed during September 2021.

LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

Our primary sources of liquidity are cash flow from operations, cash on hand, equity offerings and credit facility borrowings. We currently use our funds primarily for the acquisition of vessels, fleet renewal, drydocking for our vessels, payment of dividends, debt repayments and satisfying working capital requirements as may be needed to support our business. Our ability to continue to meet our liquidity needs is subject to and will be affected by cash utilized in operations, the economic or business environment in which we operate, shipping industry conditions, the financial

condition of our customers, vendors and service providers, our ability to comply with the financial and other covenants of our indebtedness, and other factors.

We believe, given our current cash holdings, if drybulk shipping rates do not decline significantly from current levels, our capital resources, including cash anticipated to be generated within the year, are sufficient to fund our operations for at least the next twelve months. Such resources include unrestricted cash and cash equivalents of \$46.5 million as of December 31, 2023 in addition to the \$294.8 million availability under the \$500 Million Revolver as of December 31, 2023, which compares to a minimum liquidity requirement under our credit facility of approximately \$23 million as of the date of this report, as well as the net proceeds from our agreed upon vessel sales of approximately \$55 million. Given anticipated capital expenditures related to drydockings and fuel efficiency upgrade costs of \$22.3 million and \$35.4 million during 2024 and 2025, respectively, as well as any quarterly dividend payments, we anticipate to continue to have significant cash expenditures. Refer to “Capital Expenditures” below for further details. However, if market conditions were to worsen significantly due to the war in Ukraine, the Houthi conflict in the Red Sea, the Israel-Hamas war, or other causes, then our cash resources may decline to a level that may put at risk our ability to pay dividends per our capital allocation strategy or at all. During the fourth quarter of 2023, we drew down \$65 million under the revolver of the \$450 Million Credit Facility to partially fund the purchase of two Capesize vessels that were delivered during the fourth quarter of 2023. Throughout 2022 and 2023, the Company made a total of \$111.0 million of voluntary debt prepayments, resulting in a reduced cash flow breakeven rate from previous levels. Of that amount, there were seven \$8.8 million quarterly repayments that represented the previously announced quarterly debt reduction payment as part of our plan to reduce our debt. These amounts were deducted from operating cash flows in each of our quarterly 2022 and 2023 dividend payment calculations. The remainder of the debt we paid down included \$40.0 million which was prepaid to optimize our working capital management, using our revolver to keep funds available while saving interest expense. Additionally, during the fourth quarter of 2023, we paid down \$9.75 million under the \$500 Million Revolver. Going forward, given the nature of our new revolving credit facility, we plan to actively manage our debt balance to reduce interest expense. As of December 31, 2023, there are no mandatory debt repayments until we must repay \$200.0 million in 2028. Although we do not have any mandatory debt repayments until 2028, we intend to continue to pay down debt on a voluntary basis with a medium-term goal of zero net debt.

As of December 31, 2023, the \$500 Million Revolver contained collateral maintenance covenants that require the aggregate appraised value of collateral vessels to be at least 140% of the principal amount of the loan outstanding under such facility. If the values of our vessels were to decline as a result of the various geopolitical factors previously mentioned or otherwise, we may not satisfy this collateral maintenance requirement. If we do not satisfy the collateral maintenance requirement, we will need to post additional collateral or prepay outstanding loans to bring us back into compliance, or we will need to seek waivers, which may not be available or may be subject to conditions.

In the future, we may require capital to fund acquisitions or to improve or support our ongoing operations and debt structure, particularly in light of economic conditions resulting from the war in Ukraine, the Houthi conflict in the Red Sea, the Israel-Hamas war, and the trajectory of China’s economic recovery. We may from time to time seek to raise additional capital through equity or debt offerings, selling vessels or other assets, pursuing strategic opportunities, or otherwise. We may also from time to time seek to incur additional debt financing from private or public sector sources, refinance our indebtedness or obtain waivers or modifications to our credit agreements to obtain more favorable terms, enhance flexibility in conducting our business, or otherwise. We may also seek to manage our interest rate exposure through hedging transactions. We may seek to accomplish any of these independently or in conjunction with one or more of these actions. However, if market conditions are unfavorable, we may be unable to accomplish any of the foregoing on acceptable terms or at all.

On November 29, 2023, we entered into a fourth amendment to amend, extend and upsize our existing \$450 Million Credit Facility and implement the \$500 Million Revolver. The amended structure consists of a \$500 million revolving credit facility, which can be utilized to support growth of our asset base as well as general corporate purposes. Refer to Note 7 — Debt in our Consolidated Financial Statements for further details regarding the terms of the \$500 Million Revolver, which information is incorporated herein by reference.

In the fourth quarter of 2023, we drew down \$65 million under our revolver to partially fund the acquisition of the Genco Ranger and Genco Reliance, 2016-built Capesize vessels.

As of December 31, 2023, we were in compliance with all financial covenants under the \$500 Million Revolver.

Dividends

We disclosed on April 19, 2021 that, on management's recommendation, our Board of Directors adopted a quarterly dividend policy for dividends payable which commenced in the first quarter of 2022 in respect of our financial results for the fourth quarter of 2021. Under the quarterly dividend policy, the amount available for quarterly dividends is to be calculated based on the following formula:

Operating cash flow
Less: Capital expenditures for drydocking
Less: Voluntary quarterly reserve
Cash flow distributable as dividends

The amount of dividends payable under the foregoing formula for each quarter of the year will be determined on a quarterly basis.

For purposes of the foregoing calculation, operating cash flow is defined as voyage revenue less voyage expenses, charter hire expenses, realized gains or losses on fuel hedges, vessel operating expenses, general and administrative expenses other than non-cash restricted stock expenses, technical management fees, and interest expense other than non-cash deferred financing costs. Anticipated uses for the voluntary quarterly reserve include, but are not limited to, vessel acquisitions, debt prepayments and repayments, and general corporate purposes. In order to set aside funds for these purposes, the voluntary reserve will be set on a quarterly basis in the discretion of our Board and is anticipated to be based on future quarterly debt repayments and interest expense.

On February 21, 2024, our Board declared a quarterly dividend of \$0.41 per share. Our quarterly dividend policy and declaration and payment of dividends are subject to legally available funds, compliance with applicable law and contractual obligations (including our credit facilities) and our Board's determination that each declaration and payment is at that time in the best interests of the Company and its shareholders after its review of our financial performance.

In connection with our comprehensive value strategy, we have paid down additional indebtedness under our credit facilities and amended, extended and upsized our existing \$450 Million Credit Facility with the \$500 Million Revolver.

The declaration and payment of any dividend or any stock repurchase is subject to the discretion of our Board of Directors. Our Board of Directors and management continue to closely monitor market developments together with the evaluation of our quarterly dividend policy in the current market environment. The principal business factors that our Board of Directors expects to consider when determining the timing and amount of dividend payments or stock repurchases include our earnings, financial condition, and cash requirements at the time. Marshall Islands law generally prohibits the declaration and payment of dividends or stock repurchases other than from surplus. Marshall Islands law also prohibits the declaration and payment of dividends or stock repurchases while a company is insolvent or would be rendered insolvent by the payment of such a dividend or such a stock repurchase. Heightened economic uncertainty and the potential for renewed drybulk market weakness as a result of the war in Ukraine, the Israel-Hamas war, the Houthi conflict in the Red Sea, and related economic conditions may result in our suspension, reduction, or termination of future quarterly dividends.

U.S. Federal Income Tax Treatment of Dividends

U.S. Holders

For purposes of this discussion, the term “U.S. Holder” means a beneficial owner of our common stock that is, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, (i) an individual U.S. citizen or resident, (ii) a corporation that is created or organized in or under the laws of the United States, any state thereof or the District of Columbia, or any other U.S. entity taxable as a corporation, (iii) an estate the income of which is subject to U.S. federal income taxation regardless of its source, or (iv) a trust if either (x) a court within the United States is able to exercise primary jurisdiction over the administration of the trust and one or more U.S. persons have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust, or (y) the trust has a valid election in effect under applicable Treasury Regulations to be treated as a U.S. person. If a partnership, or an entity treated for U.S. federal income tax purposes as a partnership, such as a limited liability company, holds common stock, the tax treatment of a partner will generally depend on the status of the partner and upon the activities of the partnership. If you are a partner in such a partnership holding our common stock, you are encouraged to consult your tax advisor. A beneficial owner of our common stock (other than a partnership) that is not a U.S. Holder is referred to below as a “Non-U.S. Holder.”

Subject to the discussion of passive foreign investment company (PFIC) status on pages 36 - 37 of the Form 10-K, any distributions made by us to a U.S. Holder with respect to our common shares generally will constitute dividends to the extent of our current or accumulated earnings and profits, as determined under U.S. federal income tax principles. Distributions in excess of those earnings and profits will be treated first as a nontaxable return of capital to the extent of the U.S. Holder’s tax basis in our common shares (determined on a share-by-share basis), and thereafter as capital gain. U.S. Holders that own at least 10% of our shares may be able to claim a dividends-received-deduction and should consult their tax advisors.

Dividends paid on our common shares to a U.S. Holder who is an individual, trust or estate, or a “non-corporate U.S. Holder,” will generally be treated as “qualified dividend income” that is taxable to such non-corporate U.S. Holder at preferential tax rates, provided that (1) our common shares are readily tradable on an established securities market in the United States (such as the NYSE, on which our common shares are traded); (2) we are not a PFIC for the taxable year during which the dividend is paid or the immediately preceding taxable year (which we do not believe we have been, are, or will be); (3) the non-corporate U.S. Holder’s holding period of our common shares includes more than 60 days in the 121-day period beginning 60 days before the date on which our common shares becomes ex-dividend; and (4) the non-corporate U.S. Holder is not under an obligation to make related payments with respect to positions in substantially similar or related property. A non-corporate U.S. Holder will be able to take qualified dividend income into account in determining its deductible investment interest (which is generally limited to its net investment income) only if it elects to do so; in such case, the dividend will be taxed at ordinary income rates. Non-corporate U.S. Holders also may be required to pay a 3.8% surtax on all or part of such holder’s “net investment income,” which includes, among other items, dividends on our shares, subject to certain limitations and exceptions. Investors are encouraged to consult their own tax advisors regarding the effect, if any, of this surtax on their ownership of our shares.

Amounts taxable as dividends generally will be treated as passive income from sources outside the U.S. However, if (a) we are 50% or more owned, by vote or value, by U.S. Holders and (b) at least 10% of our earnings and profits are attributable to sources within the U.S., then for foreign tax credit purposes, a portion of our dividends would be treated as derived from sources within the U.S. With respect to any dividend paid for any taxable year, the U.S. source ratio of our dividends for foreign tax credit purposes would be equal to the portion of our earnings and profits from sources within the U.S. for such taxable year divided by the total amount of our earnings and profits for such taxable year. The rules related to U.S. foreign tax credits are complex and U.S. Holders should consult their tax advisors to determine whether and to what extent a credit would be available.

Special rules may apply to any “extraordinary dividend” — generally, a dividend in an amount which is equal to or in excess of 10% of a shareholder’s adjusted basis (or fair market value in certain circumstances) in a share of our common shares — paid by us. If we pay an “extraordinary dividend” on our common shares that is treated as “qualified dividend income”, then any loss derived by a non-corporate U.S. Holder from the sale or exchange of such common shares will be treated as long-term capital loss to the extent of such dividend.

Tax Consequences if We Are a Passive Foreign Investment Company

As discussed in “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” in Item 1.A Risk Factors in the Form 10-K, a foreign corporation generally will be treated as a PFIC for U.S. federal income tax purposes if, after applying certain look through rules, either (1) at least 75% of its gross income for any taxable year consists of “passive income” or (2) at least 50% of the average value or adjusted bases of its assets (determined on a quarterly basis) produce or are held for the production of passive income, i.e., “passive assets.” As discussed above, we do not believe that our past or existing operations would cause, or would have caused, us to be deemed a PFIC with respect to any taxable year. No assurance can be given that the IRS or a court of law will accept our position, and there is a risk that the IRS or a court of law could determine that we are a PFIC. Moreover, there can be no assurance that we will not become a PFIC in any future taxable year because the PFIC test is an annual test, there are uncertainties in the application of the PFIC rules, and although we intend to manage our business so as to avoid PFIC status to the extent consistent with our other business goals, there could be changes in the nature and extent of our operations in future taxable years.

If we were to be treated as a PFIC for any taxable year in which a U.S. Holder owns shares of our common stock (and regardless of whether we remain a PFIC for subsequent taxable years), the tax consequences to such a U.S. holder upon the receipt of distributions in respect of such shares that are treated as “excess distributions” would differ from those described above. In general, an excess distribution is the amount of distributions received during a taxable year that exceed 125% of the average amount of distributions received by a U.S. Holder in respect of the common shares during the preceding three taxable years, or if shorter, during the U.S. Holder’s holding period prior to the taxable year of the distribution. The distributions that are excess distributions would be allocated ratably over the U.S. Holder’s holding period for the common shares. The amount allocated to the current taxable year and any taxable year prior to the first taxable year in which we were a PFIC would be taxed as ordinary income. The amount allocated to each of the other taxable years would be subject to tax at the highest marginal rate in effect for the U.S. Holder for that taxable year, and an interest charge for the deemed deferral benefit would be imposed on the resulting tax allocated to such other taxable years. The tax liability with respect to the amount allocated to taxable years prior to the year of the distribution cannot be offset by net operating losses. As an alternative to such tax treatment, a U.S. Holder may make a “qualified electing fund” election or “mark to market” election, to the extent available, in which event different rules would apply. The U.S. federal income tax consequences to a U.S. Holder if we were to be classified as a PFIC are complex. A U.S. Holder should consult with his or her own advisor with regard to those consequences, as well as with regard to whether he or she is eligible to and should make either of the elections described above.

Non-U.S. Holders

Non-U.S. Holders generally will not be subject to U.S. federal income tax on dividends received from us on our common shares unless the income is effectively connected with the conduct by the Non-U.S. Holder of a trade or business in the United States (“effectively connected income”) (and, if an applicable income tax treaty so provides, the dividends are attributable to a permanent establishment maintained by the Non-U.S. Holder in the U.S.). Effectively connected income (or, if an income tax treaty applies, income attributable to a permanent establishment maintained in the U.S.) generally will be subject to regular U.S. federal income tax in the same manner discussed above relating to taxation of U.S. Holders. In addition, earnings and profits of a corporate Non-U.S. Holder that are attributable to such income, as determined after allowance for certain adjustments, may be subject to an additional branch profits tax at a rate of 30%, or at a lower rate as may be specified by an applicable income tax treaty. Non-U.S. Holders may be subject to tax in jurisdictions other than the United States on dividends received from us on our common shares.

Dividends paid on our common shares to a non-corporate U.S. Holder may be subject to U.S. federal backup withholding tax if the non-corporate U.S. Holder:

- fails to provide us with an accurate taxpayer identification number;
- is notified by the IRS that they have become subject to backup withholding because they previously failed to report all interest and dividends required to be shown on their federal income tax returns; or
- fails to comply with applicable certification requirements

A holder that is not a U.S. Holder or a partnership may be subject to U.S. federal backup withholding with respect to such dividends unless the holder certifies that it is a non-U.S. person, under penalties of perjury, or otherwise establishes an exemption therefrom. Backup withholding tax is not an additional tax. Holders generally may obtain a refund of any amounts withheld under backup withholding rules that exceed their income tax liability by timely filing a refund claim with the IRS.

You are encouraged to consult your own tax advisor concerning the overall tax consequences arising in your own particular situation under U.S. federal, state, local, or foreign law from the payment of dividends on our common stock.

Cash Flows

Net cash provided by operating activities for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022 was \$91.8 million and \$189.3 million, respectively. This decrease in cash provided by operating activities was primarily due to lower net revenue earned by our minor and major bulk vessels, as well as changes in working capital. These decreases were partially offset by a decrease in drydocking costs incurred during 2023 as compared to 2022.

Net cash used in investing activities during the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022 was \$91.6 million and \$55.0 million, respectively. The increase was primarily due to a \$38.8 million increase in the purchase of vessels, principally resulting from the purchase of two Capesize vessels that delivered during the fourth quarter of 2023 as compared to the purchase of two Ultramax vessels that delivered during the first quarter of 2022. There was also a \$1.4 million increase in insurance proceeds for hull and machinery claims for our vessels.

Net cash used in financing activities during the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022 was \$17.4 million and \$190.7 million, respectively. During 2023, the decrease in total net cash used in financing activities related to our credit facilities was \$104.0 million as compared to 2022. This was a result of the \$65.0 million drawn down during the fourth quarter of 2023 used to partially finance the purchase two Capesize vessels that delivered during the fourth quarter of 2023, as well as a decrease in debt repayments during 2023 as compared to 2022. Additionally, there was a \$74.8 million decrease in the payment of dividends during 2023 as compared to 2022. These decreases were partially offset by a \$5.5 million increase in deferred financing costs during 2023 as compared to 2022 related to the \$500 Million Revolver that was entered into on November 29, 2023 to amend our \$450 Million Credit Facility.

Credit Facilities

On August 3, 2021, we entered into the \$450 Million Credit Facility. On November 29, 2023, we entered into a fourth amendment to amend, extend and upsize our existing \$450 Million Credit Facility, implementing the \$500 Million Revolver. The amended structure consists of a \$500 million revolving credit facility, which can be utilized to support growth of our asset base as well as general corporate purposes. Refer to Note 7 — Debt in our Consolidated Financial Statements for further details regarding the terms of the \$500 Million Revolver, which information is incorporated herein by reference.

Interest Rate Swap Agreements, Forward Freight Agreements and Currency Swap Agreements

At December 31, 2023, we had one interest rate cap agreement to manage interest costs and the risk associated with changing interest rates. Such agreements cap the borrowing rate on our variable debt to provide a hedge against the risk of rising rates. At December 31, 2023, the total notional principal amount of the interest rate cap agreements was \$50.0 million.

Refer to the table in Note 8 — Derivative instruments of our Consolidated Financial Statements which summarizes the interest rate cap agreement in place as of December 31, 2023.

As part of our business strategy, we may enter into interest rate swap agreements to manage interest costs and the risk associated with changing interest rates. In determining the fair value of interest rate derivatives, we consider the creditworthiness of both the counterparty and ourselves, which has not changed significantly and has no effect on the valuation. Valuations prior to any adjustments for credit risk would be validated by comparison with counterparty valuations. Amounts would not and should not be identical due to the different modeling assumptions. Any material differences would be investigated.

As part of our business strategy, we may also enter into arrangements commonly known as forward freight agreements, or FFAs, to hedge and manage our exposure to the charter market risks relating to the deployment of our vessels. Generally, these arrangements would bind us and each counterparty in the arrangement to buy or sell a specified tonnage freighting commitment “forward” at an agreed time and price and for a particular route. Upon settlement, if the contracted charter rate is less than the average of the rates (as reported by an identified index) for the specified route and period, the seller of the FFA is required to pay the buyer an amount equal to the difference between the contracted rate and the settlement rate multiplied by the number of days in the specific period. Conversely, if the contracted rate is greater than the settlement rate, the buyer is required to pay the seller the settlement sum. Although FFAs can be entered into for a variety of purposes, including for hedging, as an option, for trading or for arbitrage, if we decided to enter into FFAs, our objective would be to hedge and manage market risks as part of our commercial management. It is not currently our intention to enter into FFAs to generate a stream of income independent of the revenues we derive from the operation of our fleet of vessels. If we determine to enter into FFAs, we may reduce our exposure to any declines in our results from operations due to weak market conditions or downturns, but may also limit our ability to benefit economically during periods of strong demand in the market. We have not entered into any FFAs as of December 31, 2023 and 2022.

Interest Rates

The effective interest rate for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022 include interest rates associated with the interest expense for our various credit facilities, including the following: the \$500 Million Revolver and the \$450 Million Credit Facility (until the \$450 Million Credit Facility was amended to become the \$500 Million Revolver on November 29, 2023).

The effective interest rate for the aforementioned credit facilities, including the cost associated with unused commitment fees, if applicable, was 8.29% and 4.63% during 2023 and 2022, respectively. The effective interest rate does not include the effect of any interest rate cap agreements. The interest rate on the debt, excluding unused commitment fees, ranged from 6.43% to 7.58% and 2.26% to 6.54% during 2023 and 2022, respectively.

Capital Expenditures

We make capital expenditures from time to time in connection with our vessel acquisitions. Our fleet currently consists of 45 drybulk vessels, including 18 Capesize drybulk carriers, 15 Ultramax drybulk carriers and twelve Supramax drybulk carriers.

As previously announced, we have implemented a fuel efficiency upgrade program for certain of our vessels in an effort to generate fuel savings and increase the future earnings potential for these vessels. The upgrades have been successfully installed during previous drydockings.

Under our comprehensive IMO 2023 compliance plan, we have and intend to install energy saving devices and apply high performance paint systems in order to reduce fuel consumption and emissions among other key initiatives, on select vessels. We have and plan to undertake most, if not all, of these initiatives while our vessels undergo their regularly scheduled drydocking. The future estimated expenditures are included in the table below.

In addition to acquisitions that we may undertake in future periods, we will incur additional expenditures due to special surveys and drydockings for our fleet. .

We estimate our drydocking costs, including capitalized costs incurred during drydocking related to vessel assets and vessel equipment, ballast water treatment systems (“BWTS”) costs, fuel efficiency upgrades and scheduled off-hire days for our fleet through 2025 to be:

Year	Estimated Drydocking Costs	Estimated BWTS Costs	Estimated Fuel Efficiency Upgrade Costs	Estimated Off- hire Days
	(U.S. dollars in millions)			
2024	\$ 18.1	\$ 1.1	\$ 3.1	290
2025	\$ 31.5	\$ 1.1	\$ 2.8	640

The costs reflected are estimates based on drydocking our vessels in China. Actual costs will vary based on various factors, including where the drydockings are actually performed. We expect to fund these costs with cash on hand. These costs do not include drydock expense items that are reflected in vessel operating expenses.

Actual length of drydocking will vary based on the condition of the vessel, yard schedules and other factors. Higher repairs and maintenance expenses during drydocking for vessels which are over 15 years old typically result in a higher number of off-hire days depending on the condition of the vessel.

During 2023 and 2022, we incurred a total of \$10.9 million and \$25.8 million of drydocking costs, respectively, excluding costs incurred during drydocking that were capitalized to vessel assets or vessel equipment.

We completed the drydocking of five of our vessels during 2023, one of which began during the fourth quarter of 2022. We estimate that ten of our vessels will be drydocked during 2024 and 20 of our vessels will be drydocked during 2025.

CRITICAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND ESTIMATES

The discussion and analysis of our financial condition and results of operations is based upon our Consolidated Financial Statements, which have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (“U.S. GAAP”). The preparation of those financial statements requires us to make estimates and judgments that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, revenues and expenses and related disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of our financial statements. Actual results may differ from these estimates under different assumptions and conditions.

Critical accounting policies are those that reflect significant judgments of uncertainties and potentially result in materially different results under different assumptions and conditions. We have described below what we believe are our most critical accounting policies, because they generally involve a comparatively higher degree of judgment in their application. For an additional description of our significant accounting policies, see Note 2 to our Consolidated Financial Statements included in this report.

Vessels and Depreciation

We record the value of our vessels at their cost (which includes acquisition costs directly attributable to the vessel and expenditures made to prepare the vessel for its initial voyage) less accumulated depreciation. We depreciate our drybulk vessels on a straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives, estimated to be 25 years from the date of initial delivery from the shipyard. Depreciation is based on cost less the estimated residual scrap value of \$400/lwt based on the 15-year average scrap value of steel. An increase in the residual value of the vessels will decrease the annual depreciation charge over the remaining useful life of the vessels. Similarly, an increase in the useful life of a drybulk vessel would also decrease the annual depreciation charge. Comparatively, a decrease in the useful life of a drybulk vessel or in its residual value would have the effect of increasing the annual depreciation charge. However, when regulations place limitations over the ability of a vessel to trade on a worldwide basis, we will adjust the vessel’s useful life to end at the date such regulations preclude such vessel’s further commercial use.

The carrying value of each of our vessels does not represent the fair market value of such vessel or the amount we could obtain if we were to sell any of our vessels, which could be more or less. Under U.S. GAAP, we would not record a loss if the fair market value of a vessel (excluding its charter) is below our carrying value unless and until we

determine to sell that vessel or the vessel is impaired as discussed below under the heading “Impairment of long-lived assets.”

During 2023, we recorded losses of \$41.7 million related to the impairment of vessel assets. There were no impairment losses incurred during 2022. During 2023, we recorded an impairment loss for three of our Capesize vessels (the Genco Claudius, the Genco Commodus and the Genco Maximus) which have been classified as held for sale as of December 31, 2023. Refer to Note 2 — Summary of Significant Accounting Policies in our Consolidated Financial Statements for further information regarding the impairment recorded during 2023.

Under our credit facilities, we regularly submit to the lenders valuations of our vessels on an individual charter free basis in order to evidence our compliance with the collateral maintenance covenants under our credit facility. Such a valuation is not necessarily the same as the amount any vessel may bring upon sale, which may be more or less, and should not be relied upon as such. We were in compliance with the collateral maintenance covenant under our \$500 Million Revolver as of December 31, 2023. Refer to Note 7 — Debt in our Consolidated Financial Statements for additional information. We obtained valuations for all of the vessels in our fleet pursuant to the terms of the \$500 Million Revolver.

We compare the carrying value of our vessels with the vessel valuations obtained for covenant compliance purposes to determine whether an indicator of impairment is present (excluding the three vessels held for sale as of December 31, 2023 as noted above). As of December 31, 2023, eight of our Capesize vessels had carrying values that exceeded their vessel valuations, which is an indicator of impairment. As of December 31, 2022, 17 of our vessels, including 16 Capesize vessels and one Ultramax vessel, had carrying values that exceeded their vessel valuations, which is an indicator of impairment. However, based on the analysis of the anticipated undiscounted future net cash flows to be derived from each of these vessels as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, there were no impairment losses recorded for these vessels during 2023 and 2022 (excluding the three vessels held for sale as of December 31, 2023 as noted above).

The amount by which the carrying value at December 31, 2023 of eight of our Capesize vessels exceeded the valuation of such vessels for covenant compliance purposes ranged, on an individual vessel basis, from \$4.1 million to \$8.3 million per vessel, and \$47.9 million on an aggregate fleet basis. Comparatively, the amount by which the carrying value at December 31, 2022 of 16 of our Capesize vessels and one of our Ultramax vessels exceeded the valuation of such vessels for covenant compliances ranged, on an individual vessel basis, from \$0.1 million to \$11.9 million per vessel, and \$130.0 million on an aggregate fleet basis. The average amount by which the carrying value of these vessels exceeded the valuation of such vessels for covenant compliance purposes was \$6.0 million and \$7.6 million as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, respectively. However, neither such valuation nor the carrying value in the table below reflects the value of long-term time charters, if any, related to some of our vessels.

In the chart below, we list each of our vessels, the year it was built, the year we acquired it, and its carrying value as of December 31, 2023 and 2022. Vessels have been grouped according to their collateralized status as of December 31, 2023 and does not include any vessels held for sale.

Vessels	Year Built	Year Acquired	Carrying Value (U.S. dollars in thousands) as of	
			December 31, 2023	December 31, 2022
<u>\$500 Million Revolver</u>				
Genco Commodus	2009	2009	\$ —	\$ 33,227
Genco Maximus	2009	2009	—	33,275
Genco Claudius	2010	2009	—	34,850
Baltic Bear	2010	2010	32,724	34,682
Baltic Wolf	2010	2010	33,078	35,004
Genco Lion	2012	2013	28,508	29,853
Genco Tiger	2011	2013	26,954	28,207
Baltic Scorpion	2015	2015	21,440	22,448
Baltic Mantis	2015	2015	21,677	22,689
Genco Hunter	2007	2007	7,564	7,769
Genco Warrior	2005	2007	6,211	6,501
Genco Aquitaine	2009	2010	7,948	8,254

Vessels	Year Built	Year Acquired	Carrying Value (U.S. dollars in thousands) as of	
			December 31, 2023	December 31, 2022
Genco Ardennes	2009	2010	7,955	8,258
Genco Auvergne	2009	2010	7,971	8,270
Genco Bourgogne	2010	2010	8,580	8,943
Genco Brittany	2010	2010	8,590	8,931
Genco Languedoc	2010	2010	8,588	8,932
Genco Picardy	2005	2010	6,972	6,899
Genco Pyrenees	2010	2010	8,641	8,979
Genco Rhone	2011	2011	9,792	10,203
Genco Constantine	2008	2008	29,377	31,638
Genco Augustus	2007	2007	27,052	29,321
Genco London	2007	2007	27,295	29,181
Genco Titus	2007	2007	27,856	29,823
Genco Tiberius	2007	2007	27,127	29,455
Genco Hadrian	2008	2008	29,671	31,623
Genco Predator	2005	2007	6,888	6,816
Baltic Hornet	2014	2014	20,084	21,058
Baltic Wasp	2015	2015	20,326	21,300
Genco Endeavour	2015	2018	39,022	40,498
Genco Resolute	2015	2018	39,177	40,852
Genco Columbia	2016	2018	22,455	23,480
Genco Weatherly	2014	2018	18,118	18,939
Genco Liberty	2016	2018	42,162	43,942
Genco Defender	2016	2018	42,165	43,964
Genco Magic	2014	2020	13,373	13,872
Genco Vigilant	2015	2021	14,323	14,901
Genco Freedom	2015	2021	14,407	14,996
Genco Enterprise	2016	2021	18,996	19,806
Genco Madeleine	2014	2021	21,209	22,253
Genco Constellation	2017	2021	23,872	24,897
Genco Mayflower	2017	2021	24,251	25,328
Genco Laddey	2022	2022	28,299	29,326
Genco Mary	2022	2022	28,336	29,367
Genco Ranger	2016	2023	43,108	—
TOTAL			\$ 902,142	\$ 1,002,810
<u>Unencumbered</u>				
Genco Reliance	2016	2023	\$ 42,972	\$ —
			\$ 42,972	\$ —
Consolidated Total			\$ 945,114	\$ 1,002,810

If we were to sell a vessel or hold a vessel for sale, and the carrying value of the vessel were to exceed its fair market value, net of costs to sell, we would record a loss in the amount of the difference. Refer to Note 2 — Summary of Significant Accounting Policies and Note 4 — Vessel Acquisitions and Dispositions in our Consolidated Financial Statements for information regarding the sale of vessel assets and the classification of vessel assets held for sale as of December 31, 2023.

Deferred drydocking costs

Our vessels are required to be drydocked approximately every 30 to 60 months for major repairs and maintenance that cannot be performed while the vessels are operating. We defer the costs associated with drydockings as they occur and amortize these costs on a straight-line basis over the period between drydockings. Deferred drydocking costs include actual costs incurred at the drydock yard; cost of travel, lodging and subsistence of our

personnel sent to the drydocking site to supervise; and the cost of hiring a third party to oversee the drydocking. We believe that these criteria are consistent with U.S. GAAP guidelines and industry practice and that our policy of deferral reflects the economics and market values of the vessels. Costs that are not related to drydocking, including routine maintenance and repairs, are expensed as incurred. If the vessel is drydocked earlier than originally anticipated, any remaining deferred drydock costs that have not been amortized are expensed at the end of the drydock.

Impairment of long-lived assets

We follow the Financial Accounting Standards Board (“FASB”) Accounting Standards Codification (“ASC”) subtopic 360-10, “*Property, Plant and Equipment*” (“ASC 360-10”) which requires impairment losses to be recorded on long-lived assets used in operations when indicators of impairment are present and the undiscounted cash flows estimated to be generated by those assets are less than their carrying amounts. If indicators of impairment are present, we perform an analysis of the anticipated undiscounted future net cash flows to be derived from the related long-lived assets.

Although rates have been strong on a relative basis in 2023 and 2022, the drybulk charter market has been volatile in recent years. Shipping rates for key drybulk routes increased during 2021 after a decline in 2020 which was principally as a result of the global economic slowdown caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, while another firm year was seen in 2022. Rates in 2023 declined from 2021 and 2022 highs, but were firm from a historical perspective.

When indicators of impairment are present and our estimate of future undiscounted cash flows for any vessel is lower than the vessel’s carrying value, the carrying value is written down, by recording a charge to operations, to the vessel’s fair market value if the fair market value is lower than the vessel’s carrying value.

We determined that as of December 31, 2023, the future income streams expected to be earned by such vessels over their remaining operating lives and upon disposal on an undiscounted basis would be sufficient to recover their carrying values. As of December 31, 2023, only eight of our Capesize vessels had indicators of impairment and the estimated future undiscounted cash flows for those Capesize vessels exceeded each of those vessels’ carrying values by a margin of approximately 15% to 30% of the carrying value. Our vessels remain fully utilized and have a relatively long average remaining useful life of approximately 13 years in which to recover sufficient cash flows on an undiscounted basis to recover their carrying values as of December 31, 2023. Management will continue to monitor developments in charter rates in the markets in which it participates with respect to the expectation of future rates over an extended period of time that are utilized in the analyses.

In developing estimates of future undiscounted cash flows, we make assumptions and estimates about the vessels’ future performance, with the significant assumptions being related to charter rates, fleet utilization, vessels’ operating expenses, vessels’ capital expenditures and drydocking requirements, vessels’ residual value and the estimated remaining useful life of each vessel. The assumptions used to develop estimates of future undiscounted cash flows are based on historical trends. Specifically, we utilize the rates currently in effect for the duration of their current time charters or spot market voyage charters, without assuming additional profit sharing. For periods of time where our vessels are not fixed on time charters or spot market voyage charters, we utilize an estimated daily time charter equivalent for our vessels’ unfixed days based on the most recent ten year historical one-year time charter average. In addition, we consider the current market rate environment and, if necessary, adjust our estimates of undiscounted cash flows to reflect the current rate environment. It is reasonably possible that the estimate of undiscounted cash flows may change in the future due to changes in current rates which could adversely affect the average rates being utilized and could result in impairment of certain of our older vessels. It is also reasonably possible that vessels that were not subject to impairment testing during 2023 because there was no indicator of impairment could be subject to such testing in the future.

Of the inputs that the Company uses for its impairment analysis, future charter rates are the most significant and most volatile. Based on the sensitivity analysis performed by the Company, the Company would record impairment on its vessels for time charter declines from their most recent ten-year historical one-year time charter averages as follows:

Vessel Class	Percentage Decline from Ten-Year Historical One-Year Time Charter Average at Which Point Impairment Would be Recorded	
	As of December 31, 2023	As of December 31, 2022
	Capesize	(10.5)%
Ultramax (1)	N/A	(9.5)
Supramax (2)	N/A	N/A

- (1) There were no indicators of impairment for our Ultramax vessels at December 31, 2023, as the respective fair market values of these vessels were higher than their respective carrying values. As such, these vessels were not subject to impairment testing as of December 31, 2023.
- (2) There were no indicators of impairment for our Supramax vessels as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, as the respective fair market values of these vessels were higher than their respective carrying values. As such, these vessels were not subject to impairment testing as of December 31, 2023 and 2022.

For our impairment analysis, we utilize the ten-year historical one-year time charter average, as well as considering the current rate environment, to project future charter rates, which we believe appropriately takes into account the volatility and highs and lows of the shipping cycle.

Our time charter equivalent (TCE) rates for our fiscal years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, respectively, were above or (below) the ten-year historical one-year time charter average as of such dates as follows:

Vessel Class	TCE Rates as Compared with Ten-Year Historical One-Year Time Charter Average (as percentage above/(below)) For the Years Ended December 31,	
	2023	2022
	Capesize	21.6 %
Ultramax	8.2 %	104.3 %
Supramax	(6.0)%	98.8 %

The projected net operating cash flows are determined by considering the future voyage revenues from existing time charters for the fixed fleet days and an estimated daily time charter equivalent for the unfixed days over the estimated remaining life of the vessel, assumed to be 25 years from the delivery of the vessel from the shipyard, reduced by brokerage and address commissions, expected outflows for vessels' maintenance and vessel operating expenses (including planned drydocking and special survey expenditures) and required capital expenditures adjusted annually for inflation, assuming fleet utilization of 98%. The salvage value used in the impairment test is estimated to be \$400 per light weight ton, consistent with our vessels' depreciation policy discussed above.

Although we believe that the assumptions used to evaluate potential impairment are reasonable and appropriate, such assumptions are highly subjective. There can be no assurance as to how long charter rates and vessel values will remain at their currently low levels or whether they will improve by any significant degree. Charter rates may remain at depressed levels for a prolonged period of time, which could adversely affect our revenue and profitability, and future assessments of vessel impairment.

QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

Interest rate risk

We are exposed to the impact of interest rate changes. Our objective is to manage the impact of interest rate changes on our earnings and cash flow in relation to our borrowings. We held one interest rate cap agreement as of December 31, 2023 to manage future interest costs and the risk associated with changing interest rates. The total notional amount of the cap at December 31, 2023 is \$50.0 million and the cap has a specified rate and duration and will expire during March 2024. Refer to Note 8 — Derivative Instruments of our Consolidated Financial Statements.

Interest rate cap agreements cap the borrowing rate on our variable debt to provide a hedge against the risk of rising rates.

The total asset associated with the cap at December 31, 2023 is \$0.6 million which has been classified as a current asset on the consolidated balance sheet. As of December 31, 2023, the Company has accumulated other comprehensive income (“AOCI”) of \$0.5 million related to the interest rate cap agreement. At December 31, 2023, \$0.5 million of AOCI is expected to be reclassified into income over the next 12 months associated with interest rate derivatives.

We are subject to market risks relating to changes in SOFR rates because we have significant amounts of floating rate debt outstanding. On May 30, 2023, we entered into an amendment to the \$450 Million Credit Facility to transition from the use of LIBOR to calculate interest to SOFR effective June 30, 2023. During the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, we were subject to the following interest rates on the outstanding debt under our credit facilities (refer to Note 7 — Debt in our Consolidated Financial Statements for effective dates and termination dates for our credit facilities outlined below):

- \$450 Million Credit Facility
 - One-month or three-month LIBOR plus 2.15% until June 30, 2023. Effective June 30, 2023, we transitioned from the use of LIBOR to SOFR Rates. Additionally, on August 3, 2023, the applicable margin was reduced from 2.15% to 2.10% pursuant to the sustainability link term of the facility. These rates were applicable until November 29, 2023, when we entered into the \$500 Million Revolver.
- \$500 Million Revolver
 - One-month SOFR plus 1.85%

A 1% increase in LIBOR and SOFR would have resulted in an increase of \$1.6 million in interest expense for the year ended December 31, 2023.

From time to time, the Company may consider derivative financial instruments such as swaps and caps or other means to protect itself against interest rate fluctuations.

Derivative financial instruments

As part of our business strategy, we may enter into interest rate swap agreements or interest rate cap agreements to manage interest costs and the risk associated with changing interest rates. As of December 31, 2023, we held one interest rate cap agreement to manage interest costs and the risk associated with changing interest rates. The total notional amount of the cap at December 31, 2023 is \$50.0 million and the cap has a specified rate and duration and will expire during March 2024. Refer to Note 8 — Derivative Instruments of our Consolidated Financial Statements.

The interest rate cap agreement was initially designated and qualified as a cash flow hedge. The premium paid is recognized in income on a rational basis, and all changes in the value of the caps are deferred in AOCI and are subsequently reclassified into Interest expense in the period when the hedged interest affects earnings.

During the second quarter of 2022, based on the total outstanding debt under the \$450 Million Credit Facility being below the total notional amount of the interest rate cap agreements, a portion of one of the interest rate cap agreements was dedesignated as a cash flow hedge. Subsequent gains and losses resulting from valuation adjustments on the dedesignated portion of the cap are recorded within interest expense. As the forecasted interest payments hedged are not remote of occurring, the amounts in AOCI as of the date of de-designation will be released over the remaining original hedge period.

Refer to the “Interest rate risk” section above for further information regarding interest rate swap agreements.

We have entered into bunker swap and forward fuel purchase agreements with the objective of reducing the risk of the effect of changing fuel prices. Our bunker swap and forward fuel purchase agreements do not qualify for hedge accounting treatment; therefore, any unrealized or realized gains or losses are recognized as other (expense) income. Refer to the “Bunker swap and forward fuel purchase agreements” section of Note 2 — Summary of Significant Accounting Policies for further information.

Currency and exchange rate risk

The majority of transactions in the international shipping industry are denominated in U.S. Dollars. Virtually all of our revenues and most of our operating costs are in U.S. Dollars. We incur certain operating expenses in currencies other than the U.S. Dollar, and the foreign exchange risk associated with these operating expenses is immaterial.

REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the shareholders and the Board of Directors of
Genco Shipping & Trading Limited

Opinion on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of Genco Shipping & Trading Limited and subsidiaries (the “Company”) as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, the related consolidated statements of operations, comprehensive (loss) income, equity, and cash flows, for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2023, and the related notes (collectively referred to as the “financial statements”). In our opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Company as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2023, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

We have also audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) (PCAOB), the Company’s internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2023, based on criteria established in Internal Control — Integrated Framework (2013) issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission and our report dated February 27, 2024, expressed an unqualified opinion on the Company’s internal control over financial reporting.

Basis for Opinion

These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company’s management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Company’s financial statements based on our audits. We are a public accounting firm registered with the PCAOB and are required to be independent with respect to the Company in accordance with the U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, whether due to error or fraud. Our audits included performing procedures to assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to error or fraud, and performing procedures that respond to those risks. Such procedures included examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. Our audits also included evaluating the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

Critical Audit Matter

The critical audit matter communicated below is a matter arising from the current-period audit of the financial statements that was communicated or required to be communicated to the audit committee and that (1) relates to accounts or disclosures that are material to the financial statements and (2) involved our especially challenging, subjective, or complex judgments. The communication of critical audit matters does not alter in any way our opinion on the financial statements, taken as a whole, and we are not, by communicating the critical audit matter below, providing a separate opinion on the critical audit matter or on the accounts or disclosures to which it relates.

Impairment of Vessel Assets – Future Charter Rates – Refer to Note 2 of the consolidated financial statements

Critical Audit Matter Description

The Company’s evaluation of vessel assets for impairment involves an initial assessment of each vessel asset to determine whether events or changes in circumstances exist that may indicate that the carrying amount of the vessel asset may no longer be recoverable.

If indicators of impairment exist for a vessel asset, the Company determines the recoverable amount by estimating the undiscounted future cash flows associated with the vessel. If the Company's estimate of undiscounted future cash flows for any vessel asset for which indicators of impairment exist is lower than the vessel asset's carrying value, and the vessel's carrying value is greater than its fair market value, the carrying value is written down, by recording a charge to operations, to the vessel asset's fair market value. The Company makes significant assumptions and judgments to determine the undiscounted future cash flows expected to be generated over the remaining useful life of the asset, including estimates and assumptions related to the future charter rates, fleet utilization, vessel operating expenses, vessel capital expenditures and drydocking requirements, vessel residual value and the estimated remaining useful life of each vessel. Projected future charter rates are the most significant and volatile assumption that the Company uses for its impairment analysis. Total vessel assets as of December 31, 2023, were \$945.1 million, with \$41.7 million of impairment losses recorded during the year ended December 31, 2023.

We identified future charter rates used in the undiscounted future cash flows analysis as a critical audit matter because of the complex judgments made by management to estimate future charter rates and the significant impact they have on undiscounted cash flows expected to be generated over the remaining useful life of the vessel. This required a high degree of auditor judgment and an increased extent of effort when performing audit procedures to evaluate the reasonableness of management's estimate of future charter rates.

How the Critical Audit Matter Was Addressed in the Audit

Our audit procedures related to the future charter rates utilized in the undiscounted future cash flows included the following, among others:

- We tested the effectiveness of controls over management's review of the impairment analysis, including the future charter rates used within the undiscounted future cash flows analysis.
- We evaluated the reasonableness of the Company's estimate of future charter rates through the performance of the following procedures:
 - Evaluated the Company's methodology for estimating the future charter rates which reflect the rates currently in effect for the duration of their current charters, without assuming additional profit sharing. For periods of time where the vessels are not fixed on time charters or spot market voyage charters, the Company estimates the future daily time charter equivalent for the vessels' unfixed days based on the most recent ten-year historical one-year time charter average for the vessel class, as well as also considering the current rate environment, to project future charter rates.
 - Compared the future charter rates utilized in the undiscounted future cash flow analysis to 1) the Company's historical rates, 2) historical rate information by vessel class published by third parties and 3) other external market sources, including analysts' reports and freight forward agreement curves.
 - Obtained from the Company's management the assumptions used in the future charter rates and considered the consistency of the assumptions used with evidence obtained in other areas of the audit. This included 1) internal communications by management to the board of directors and 2) external communications by management to analysts and investors.

/s/ Deloitte & Touche LLP

New York, New York
February 27, 2024

We have served as the Company's auditor since 2005.

Genco Shipping & Trading Limited
Consolidated Balance Sheets as of December 31, 2023 and 2022
(U.S. Dollars in thousands, except for share and per share data)

	December 31, 2023	December 31, 2022
Assets		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 46,542	\$ 58,142
Restricted cash	—	5,643
Due from charterers, net of a reserve of \$3,257 and \$2,141, respectively	17,815	25,333
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	10,154	8,399
Inventories	26,749	21,601
Fair value of derivative instruments	572	6,312
Vessels held for sale	55,440	—
Total current assets	157,272	125,430
Noncurrent assets:		
Vessels, net of accumulated depreciation of \$296,452 and \$303,098, respectively	945,114	1,002,810
Deferred drydock, net of accumulated amortization of \$23,047 and \$15,456 respectively	29,502	32,254
Fixed assets, net of accumulated depreciation and amortization of \$8,063 and \$6,254, respectively	7,071	8,556
Operating lease right-of-use assets	2,628	4,078
Restricted cash	315	315
Fair value of derivative instruments	—	423
Total noncurrent assets	984,630	1,048,436
Total assets	\$ 1,141,902	\$ 1,173,866
Liabilities and Equity		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 24,245	\$ 29,475
Deferred revenue	8,746	4,958
Current operating lease liabilities	2,295	2,107
Total current liabilities:	35,286	36,540
Noncurrent liabilities:		
Long-term operating lease liabilities	1,801	4,096
Long-term debt, net of deferred financing costs of \$9,831 and \$6,079, respectively	190,169	164,921
Total noncurrent liabilities	191,970	169,017
Total liabilities	227,256	205,557
Commitments and contingencies (Note 17)		
Equity:		
Common stock, par value \$0.01; 500,000,000 shares authorized; 42,546,959 and 42,327,181 shares issued and outstanding as of December 31, 2023 and December 31, 2022, respectively	425	423
Additional paid-in capital	1,553,421	1,588,777
Accumulated other comprehensive income	527	6,480
Accumulated deficit	(641,117)	(628,247)
Total Genco Shipping & Trading Limited shareholders' equity	913,256	967,433
Noncontrolling interest	1,390	876
Total equity	914,646	968,309
Total liabilities and equity	\$ 1,141,902	\$ 1,173,866

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

Genco Shipping & Trading Limited
Consolidated Statements of Operations for the Years Ended December 31, 2023, 2022 and 2021
(U.S. Dollars in Thousands, Except for Earnings Per Share and Share Data)

	For the Years Ended December 31,		
	2023	2022	2021
Revenues:			
Voyage revenues	\$ 383,825	\$ 536,934	\$ 547,129
Total revenues	383,825	536,934	547,129
Operating expenses:			
Voyage expenses	142,971	153,889	146,182
Vessel operating expenses	97,093	99,469	82,089
Charter hire expenses	9,135	27,130	36,370
General and administrative expenses (inclusive of nonvested stock amortization expense of \$5,530, \$3,242 and \$2,267, respectively)	28,268	25,708	24,454
Technical management fees	4,021	3,310	5,612
Depreciation and amortization	66,465	60,190	56,231
Impairment of vessel assets	41,719	—	—
Gain on sale of vessels	—	—	(4,924)
Total operating expenses	389,672	369,696	346,014
Operating (loss) income	(5,847)	167,238	201,115
Other income (expense):			
Other (expense) income	(396)	178	541
Interest income	2,667	1,042	154
Interest expense	(8,780)	(9,094)	(15,357)
Loss on debt extinguishment	—	—	(4,408)
Other expense, net	(6,509)	(7,874)	(19,070)
Net (loss) income	(12,356)	159,364	182,045
Less: Net income attributable to noncontrolling interest	514	788	38
Net (loss) income attributable to Genco Shipping & Trading Limited	\$ (12,870)	\$ 158,576	\$ 182,007
Net (loss) earnings per share-basic	\$ (0.30)	\$ 3.74	\$ 4.33
Net (loss) earnings per share-diluted	\$ (0.30)	\$ 3.70	\$ 4.27
Weighted average common shares outstanding-basic	42,766,262	42,412,722	42,060,996
Weighted average common shares outstanding-diluted	42,766,262	42,915,496	42,588,871

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

Genco Shipping & Trading Limited
Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive (Loss) Income
For the Years Ended December 31, 2023, 2022 and 2021
(U.S. Dollars in Thousands)

	<u>For the Years Ended December 31,</u>		
	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
Net (loss) income	\$ (12,356)	\$ 159,364	\$ 182,045
Other comprehensive (loss) income	(5,953)	5,655	825
Comprehensive (loss) income	\$ (18,309)	\$ 165,019	\$ 182,870
Less: Comprehensive income attributable to noncontrolling interest	514	788	38
Comprehensive (loss) income attributable to Genco Shipping & Trading Limited	\$ (18,823)	\$ 164,231	\$ 182,832

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

Genco Shipping & Trading Limited
Consolidated Statements of Equity
For the Years Ended December 31, 2023, 2022 and 2021
(U.S. Dollars in Thousands)

	Common Stock	Additional Paid-in Capital	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income	Accumulated Deficit	Genco Shipping & Trading Limited Shareholders' Equity	Noncontrolling Interest	Total Equity
Balance — January 1, 2021	\$ 418	\$ 1,713,406	\$ —	\$ (968,830)	\$ 744,994	\$ —	\$ 744,994
Net income				182,007	182,007	38	182,045
Other comprehensive income			825		825		825
Issuance of shares due to vesting of RSUs and exercise of options	1	(1)			—		—
Cash dividends declared (\$0.32 per share)		(13,506)			(13,506)		(13,506)
Nonvested stock amortization		2,267			2,267		2,267
Non-controlling interest initial investment						50	50
Balance — December 31, 2021	\$ 419	\$ 1,702,166	\$ 825	\$ (786,823)	\$ 916,587	\$ 88	\$ 916,675
Net income				158,576	158,576	788	159,364
Other comprehensive income			5,655		5,655		5,655
Issuance of shares due to vesting of RSUs and exercise of options	4	(4)			—		—
Cash dividends declared (\$2.74 per share)		(116,627)			(116,627)		(116,627)
Nonvested stock amortization		3,242			3,242		3,242
Balance — December 31, 2022	\$ 423	\$ 1,588,777	\$ 6,480	\$ (628,247)	\$ 967,433	\$ 876	\$ 968,309
Net (loss) income				(12,870)	(12,870)	514	(12,356)
Other comprehensive loss			(5,953)		(5,953)		(5,953)
Issuance of shares due to vesting of RSUs and exercise of options, net of forfeitures	2	(2)			—		—
Cash dividends declared (\$0.95 per share)		(40,884)			(40,884)		(40,884)
Nonvested stock amortization		5,530			5,530		5,530
Balance — December 31, 2023	\$ 425	\$ 1,553,421	\$ 527	\$ (641,117)	\$ 913,256	\$ 1,390	\$ 914,646

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

Genco Shipping & Trading Limited
Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows
For the Years Ended December 31, 2023, 2022 and 2021
(U.S. Dollars in Thousands)

	For the Years Ended December 31,		
	2023	2022	2021
Cash flows from operating activities:			
Net (loss) income	\$ (12,356)	\$ 159,364	\$ 182,045
Adjustments to reconcile net (loss) income to net cash provided by operating activities:			
Depreciation and amortization	66,465	60,190	56,231
Amortization of deferred financing costs	1,779	1,694	3,536
Amortization of fair market value of time charters acquired	—	—	(4,263)
Right-of-use asset amortization	1,450	1,417	1,387
Amortization of nonvested stock compensation expense	5,530	3,242	2,267
Impairment of vessel assets	41,719	—	—
Gain on sale of vessels	—	—	(4,924)
Loss on debt extinguishment	—	—	4,408
Amortization of premium on derivatives	210	86	197
Interest rate cap premium payment	—	—	(240)
Insurance proceeds for protection and indemnity claims	269	829	988
Insurance proceeds for loss of hire claims	506	—	—
Change in assets and liabilities:			
Decrease (increase) in due from charterers	7,518	(5,217)	(7,125)
Increase in prepaid expenses and other current assets	(4,767)	(317)	(783)
(Increase) decrease in inventories	(5,148)	2,962	(2,980)
(Decrease) increase in accounts payable and accrued expenses	(2,205)	(2,134)	5,405
Increase (decrease) in deferred revenue	3,788	(5,123)	1,660
Decrease in operating lease liabilities	(2,107)	(1,858)	(1,765)
Deferred drydock costs incurred	(10,867)	(25,812)	(4,925)
Net cash provided by operating activities	<u>91,784</u>	<u>189,323</u>	<u>231,119</u>
Cash flows from investing activities:			
Purchase of vessels and ballast water treatment systems, including deposits	(91,305)	(52,473)	(115,680)
Purchase of scrubbers (capitalized in Vessels)	—	—	(199)
Purchase of other fixed assets	(2,707)	(3,566)	(1,585)
Net proceeds from sale of vessels	—	—	49,473
Insurance proceeds for hull and machinery claims	2,388	1,024	418
Net cash used in investing activities	<u>(91,624)</u>	<u>(55,015)</u>	<u>(67,573)</u>
Cash flows from financing activities:			
Proceeds from the \$500 Million Revolver	209,750	—	—
Repayments on the \$500 Million Revolver	(9,750)	—	—
Proceeds from the \$450 Million Credit Facility	65,000	—	350,000
Repayments on the \$450 Million Credit Facility	(236,000)	(75,000)	(104,000)
Repayments on the \$133 Million Credit Facility	—	—	(114,940)
Repayments on the \$495 Million Credit Facility	—	—	(334,288)
Investment by non-controlling interest	—	—	50
Cash dividends paid	(40,910)	(115,728)	(13,463)
Payment of deferred financing costs	<u>(5,493)</u>	<u>(11)</u>	<u>(6,053)</u>

	<u>For the Years Ended December 31,</u>		
	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
Net cash used in financing activities*	(17,403)	(190,739)	(222,694)
Net decrease in cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash	(17,243)	(56,431)	(59,148)
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash at beginning of period	64,100	120,531	179,679
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash at end of period	<u>\$ 46,857</u>	<u>\$ 64,100</u>	<u>\$ 120,531</u>

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

Genco Shipping & Trading Limited
(U.S. Dollars in Thousands, Except per Share Data)
Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements for the Years Ended December 31, 2023, 2022 and 2021

1 – GENERAL INFORMATION

The accompanying consolidated financial statements include the accounts of Genco Shipping & Trading Limited (“GS&T”) and its direct and indirect subsidiaries (collectively, the “Company”). The Company is engaged in the ocean transportation of drybulk cargoes worldwide through the ownership and operation of drybulk carrier vessels. GS&T is incorporated under the laws of the Marshall Islands and as of December 31, 2023, is the direct or indirect owner of all of the outstanding shares or limited liability company interests of the following subsidiaries: Genco Ship Management LLC; Genco Investments LLC; Genco Shipping Pte. Ltd.; Genco Shipping A/S; Baltic Trading Limited (“Baltic Trading”); and the ship-owning subsidiaries as set forth below under “Other General Information.”

During September 2021, the Company and Synergy Marine Pte. Ltd. (“Synergy”), a third party, formed a joint venture, GS Shipmanagement Pte. Ltd. (“GSSM”). GSSM is owned 50% by the Company and 50% by Synergy as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, and was formed to provide ship management services to the Company’s vessels. As of December 31, 2023 and 2022, the cumulative investments GSSM received from the Company and Synergy totaled \$50 and \$50, respectively, which were used for expenditures directly related to the operations of GSSM.

Management has determined that GSSM qualifies as a variable interest entity, and, when aggregating the variable interest held by the Company and Synergy, the Company is the primary beneficiary as the Company has the ability to direct the activities that most significantly impact GSSM’s economic performance. Accordingly, the Company consolidates GSSM.

Other General Information

As of December 31, 2023, 2022 and 2021, the Company’s fleet consisted of 46, 44 and 42 vessels, respectively.

Below is the list of Company's wholly owned ship-owning subsidiaries as of December 31, 2023:

Wholly Owned Subsidiaries	Vessel Acquired	Dwt	Delivery Date	Year Built
Genco Augustus Limited	Genco Augustus	180,151	8/17/07	2007
Genco Tiberius Limited	Genco Tiberius	175,874	8/28/07	2007
Genco London Limited	Genco London	177,833	9/28/07	2007
Genco Titus Limited	Genco Titus	177,729	11/15/07	2007
Genco Warrior Limited	Genco Warrior	55,435	12/17/07	2005
Genco Predator Limited	Genco Predator	55,407	12/20/07	2005
Genco Hunter Limited	Genco Hunter	58,729	12/20/07	2007
Genco Constantine Limited	Genco Constantine	180,183	2/21/08	2008
Genco Hadrian Limited	Genco Hadrian	169,025	12/29/08	2008
Genco Commodus Limited	Genco Commodus	169,098	7/22/09	2009
Genco Maximus Limited	Genco Maximus	169,025	9/18/09	2009
Genco Claudius Limited	Genco Claudius	169,001	12/30/09	2010
Genco Aquitaine Limited	Genco Aquitaine	57,981	8/18/10	2009
Genco Ardennes Limited	Genco Ardennes	58,014	8/31/10	2009
Genco Auvergne Limited	Genco Auvergne	58,020	8/16/10	2009
Genco Bourgogne Limited	Genco Bourgogne	58,018	8/24/10	2010
Genco Brittany Limited	Genco Brittany	58,014	9/23/10	2010
Genco Languedoc Limited	Genco Languedoc	58,018	9/29/10	2010
Genco Picardy Limited	Genco Picardy	55,255	8/16/10	2005
Genco Pyrenees Limited	Genco Pyrenees	58,018	8/10/10	2010
Genco Rhone Limited	Genco Rhone	58,018	3/29/11	2011
Genco Weatherly Limited	Genco Weatherly	61,556	7/26/18	2014
Genco Columbia Limited	Genco Columbia	60,294	9/10/18	2016
Genco Endeavour Limited	Genco Endeavour	181,057	8/15/18	2015
Genco Resolute Limited	Genco Resolute	181,060	8/14/18	2015
Genco Defender Limited	Genco Defender	180,021	9/6/18	2016
Genco Liberty Limited	Genco Liberty	180,032	9/11/18	2016
Genco Magic Limited	Genco Magic	63,443	12/23/20	2014
Genco Vigilant Limited	Genco Vigilant	63,498	1/28/21	2015
Genco Freedom Limited	Genco Freedom	63,667	2/2/21	2015
Genco Enterprise Limited	Genco Enterprise	63,472	8/23/21	2016
Genco Madeleine Limited	Genco Madeleine	63,163	8/23/21	2014
Genco Mayflower Limited	Genco Mayflower	63,304	8/24/21	2017
Genco Constellation Limited	Genco Constellation	63,310	9/3/21	2017
Genco Laddey Limited	Genco Laddey	61,303	1/6/22	2022
Genco Mary Limited	Genco Mary	61,304	1/6/22	2022
Genco Reliance Limited	Genco Reliance	181,146	11/21/23	2016
Genco Ranger Limited	Genco Ranger	180,882	11/27/23	2016
Baltic Lion Limited	Genco Lion	179,185	4/8/15 (1)	2012
Baltic Tiger Limited	Genco Tiger	179,185	4/8/15 (1)	2011
Baltic Bear Limited	Baltic Bear	177,717	5/14/10	2010
Baltic Wolf Limited	Baltic Wolf	177,752	10/14/10	2010
Baltic Hornet Limited	Baltic Hornet	63,574	10/29/14	2014
Baltic Wasp Limited	Baltic Wasp	63,389	1/2/2015	2015
Baltic Scorpion Limited	Baltic Scorpion	63,462	8/6/15	2015
Baltic Mantis Limited	Baltic Mantis	63,467	10/9/15	2015

(1) The delivery date for these vessels represents the date that the vessel was purchased from Baltic Trading.

2 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Principles of consolidation

The accompanying consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (“U.S. GAAP”) which includes the accounts of GS&T and its direct and indirect wholly-owned subsidiaries and GSSM. All intercompany accounts and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation.

Accounting estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Significant estimates include vessel valuations, impairment of vessels, the valuation of amounts due from

charterers, performance claims, residual value of vessels, useful life of vessels, the fair value of time charters acquired, performance-based restricted stock units and the fair value of derivative instruments, if any. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Business geographics

The Company’s vessels regularly move between countries in international waters, over hundreds of trade routes and, as a result, the disclosure of geographic information is impracticable.

Segment reporting

The Company reports financial information and evaluates its operations by voyage revenues and not by the length of ship employment for its customers, i.e., spot or time charters. Each of the Company’s vessels serve the same type of customer, have similar operation and maintenance requirements, operate in the same regulatory environment, and are subject to similar economic characteristics. Based on this, the Company has determined that it operates in one reportable segment, the ocean transportation of drybulk cargoes worldwide through the ownership and operation of drybulk carrier vessels.

Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash

The Company considers highly liquid investments, such as money market funds and certificates of deposit with an original maturity of three months or less at the time of purchase to be cash equivalents. Current and non-current restricted cash includes cash that is restricted pursuant to our credit facilities. The following table provides a reconciliation of cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash reported within the Consolidated Balance Sheets that sum to the total of the same amounts shown in the Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows:

	December 31, 2023	December 31, 2022
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 46,542	\$ 58,142
Restricted cash – current	—	5,643
Restricted cash – noncurrent	315	315
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash	<u>\$ 46,857</u>	<u>\$ 64,100</u>

Due from charterers, net

Due from charterers, net includes accounts receivable from charters, including receivables for spot market voyages, net of the provision for doubtful accounts. At each balance sheet date, the Company records the provision based on a review of all outstanding charter receivables. Included in the standard time charter contracts with the Company’s customers are certain performance parameters which, if not met, can result in customer claims. As of December 31, 2023 and 2022, the Company had a reserve of \$3,257 and \$2,141, respectively, against the due from charterers balance and an additional accrual of \$540 and \$592, respectively, in deferred revenue, each of which is primarily associated with estimated customer claims against the Company including vessel performance issues under time charter agreements.

Revenue is based on contracted charterparties. However, there is always the possibility of dispute over terms and payment of hires and freights. In particular, disagreements may arise concerning the responsibility of lost time and revenue. Accordingly, the Company periodically assesses the recoverability of amounts outstanding and estimates a provision if there is a possibility of non-recoverability. The Company believes its provisions to be reasonable based on information available.

Bunker swap and forward fuel purchase agreements

From time to time, the Company may enter into fuel hedge agreements with the objective of reducing the risk of the effect of changing fuel prices. The Company has entered into bunker swap agreements and forward fuel purchase agreements. The Company's bunker swap agreements and forward fuel purchase agreements do not qualify for hedge accounting treatment; therefore, any unrealized or realized gains and losses are recorded in the Consolidated Statements of Operations. Derivatives are Level 2 instruments in the fair value hierarchy.

During the years ended December 31, 2023, 2022 and 2021, the Company recorded \$202, \$1,631 and \$439 of realized gains in other (expense) income, respectively. During the years ended December 31, 2023, 2022 and 2021, the Company recorded (\$96), \$3 and \$34 of unrealized (losses) gains in other (expense) income, respectively.

The total fair value of the bunker swap agreements and forward fuel purchase agreements in an asset position as of December 31, 2023 and 2022 was \$1 and \$168, respectively, and are recorded in prepaid expenses and other current assets in the Consolidated Balance Sheets. The total fair value of the bunker swap agreements and forward fuel purchase agreements in a liability position as of December 31, 2023 and 2022 was \$0 and \$71, respectively, and are recorded in accounts payable and accrued expenses in the Consolidated Balance Sheets.

Inventories

Inventories consist of consumable bunkers and lubricants that are stated at the lower of cost and net realizable value. Cost is determined by the first in, first out method.

Fair value of financial instruments

The estimated fair values of the Company's financial instruments, such as amounts due to / due from charterers, accounts payable and long-term debt, approximate their individual carrying amounts as of December 31, 2023 and 2022 due to their short-term maturity or the variable-rate nature of the respective borrowings under the credit facilities. See Note 9 — Fair Value of Financial Instruments for additional disclosure on the fair value of long-term debt.

Vessel acquisitions

When the Company enters into an acquisition transaction, it determines whether the acquisition transaction was the purchase of an asset or a business based on the facts and circumstances of the transaction. As is customary in the shipping industry, the purchase of a vessel is normally treated as a purchase of an asset as the historical operating data for the vessel is not reviewed nor is it material to the Company's decision to make such acquisition.

When a vessel is acquired with an existing time charter, the Company allocates the purchase price to the vessel and the time charter based on, among other things, vessel market valuations and the present value (using an interest rate which reflects the risks associated with the acquired charters) of the difference between (i) the contractual amounts to be paid pursuant to the charter terms and (ii) management's estimate of the fair market charter rate, measured over a period equal to the remaining term of the charter. The capitalized above-market (assets) and below-market (liabilities) charters are amortized as a reduction or increase, respectively, to voyage revenues over the remaining term of the charter.

Vessels, net

Vessels, net is stated at cost less accumulated depreciation. Included in vessel costs are acquisition costs directly attributable to the acquisition of a vessel and expenditures made to prepare the vessel for its initial voyage. The Company also capitalizes interest costs for a vessel under construction as a cost that is directly attributable to the acquisition of a vessel. Vessels are depreciated on a straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives, determined to be 25 years from the date of initial delivery from the shipyard. Depreciation expense for vessels for the years ended December 31, 2023, 2022 and 2021 was \$50,525, \$50,092 and \$49,417, respectively.

Depreciation expense is calculated based on cost less the estimated residual scrap value. The costs of significant replacements, renewals and betterments are capitalized and depreciated over the shorter of the vessel's remaining estimated useful life or the estimated life of the renewal or betterment. Expenditures for routine maintenance and repairs are expensed as incurred. Scrap value is estimated by the Company by taking the cost of steel times the weight of the

ship noted in lightweight tons (“lwt”). Effective January 1, 2022, the Company increased the estimated scrap value of the vessels from \$310 per lwt to \$400 per lwt prospectively based on the average of the 15-year average scrap value of steel.

During the year ended December 31, 2023, the increase in the estimated scrap value resulted in a decrease in depreciation expense of \$4,513. The decrease in depreciation expense resulted in a \$0.11 decrease to the basic and diluted net loss per share during the year ended December 31, 2023. The basic and diluted net loss per share for the year ended December 31, 2023 would have been \$0.41 per share if there were no change in the estimated scrap value.

During the year ended December 31, 2022, the increase in the estimated scrap value resulted in a decrease in depreciation expense of \$4,647. The decrease in depreciation expense resulted in a \$0.11 increase to the basic and diluted net earnings per share during the year ended December 31, 2022. The basic and diluted net earnings per share for the year ended December 31, 2022 would have been \$3.63 per share and \$3.59 per share, respectively, if there were no change in the estimated scrap value.

Deferred drydocking costs

The Company’s vessels are required to be drydocked approximately every 30 to 60 months for major repairs and maintenance that cannot be performed while the vessels are operating. The Company defers the costs associated with the drydockings as they occur and amortizes these costs on a straight-line basis over the period between drydockings. Costs deferred as part of a vessel’s drydocking include actual costs incurred at the drydocking yard; cost of travel, lodging and subsistence of personnel sent to the drydocking site to supervise; and the cost of hiring a third party to oversee the drydocking. If the vessel is drydocked earlier than originally anticipated, any remaining deferred drydock costs that have not been amortized are expensed at the end of the drydock.

Amortization expense for drydocking for the years ended December 31, 2023, 2022 and 2021 was \$13,253, \$7,832 and \$5,055, respectively, and is included in Depreciation and amortization expense in the Consolidated Statements of Operations. All other costs incurred during drydocking are expensed as incurred, with the exception of other capitalized costs incurred related to vessel assets and vessel equipment.

Fixed assets, net

Fixed assets, net is stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and amortization. Depreciation and amortization are based on a straight line basis over the estimated useful life of the specific asset placed in service. The following table is used in determining the typical estimated useful lives:

Description	Useful lives
Leasehold improvements	Lesser of the estimated useful life of the asset or life of the lease
Furniture, fixtures & other equipment	5 years
Vessel equipment	2-15 years
Computer equipment	3 years

Depreciation and amortization expense for fixed assets for the years ended December 31, 2023, 2022 and 2021 was \$2,687, \$2,266 and \$1,759, respectively.

Deferred revenue

Deferred revenue primarily relates to cash received from charterers prior to it being earned. These amounts are recognized as income when earned. Additionally, deferred revenue includes estimated customer claims mainly due to time charter performance issues. Refer to “Revenue recognition” below for a description of the Company’s revenue recognition policy.

Deferred financing costs

Deferred financing costs, which are presented as a direct deduction within the outstanding debt balance in the Company's Consolidated Balance Sheets, consist of fees, commissions and legal expenses associated with securing loan facilities and other debt offerings and amending existing loan facilities. These costs are amortized over the life of the related debt and are included in Interest expense in the Consolidated Statements of Operations.

Nonvested stock awards

The Company follows Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC") Subtopic 718-10, "*Compensation — Stock Compensation*" ("ASC 718-10"), for nonvested stock issued under its equity incentive plans. Stock-based compensation costs from nonvested stock have been classified as a component of additional paid-in capital in the Consolidated Statements of Equity.

Dividends declared

If the Company has an accumulated deficit, dividends declared will be recognized as a reduction of additional paid-in capital ("APIC") in the Consolidated Statements of Equity until the APIC is reduced to zero. Once APIC is reduced to zero, dividends declared will be recognized as an increase in accumulated deficit.

Revenue recognition

Since the Company's inception, revenues have been generated from time charter agreements, spot market voyage charters, pool agreements and spot market-related time charters. Voyage revenues also include the sale of bunkers consumed during short-term time charters pursuant to the terms of the time charter agreement.

Time charters

A time charter involves placing a vessel at the charterer's disposal for a set period of time during which the charterer may use the vessel in return for the payment by the charterer of a specified daily hire rate, including any ballast bonus payments received pursuant to the time charter agreement. Spot market-related time charters are the same as other time charter agreements, except the time charter rates are variable and are based on a percentage of the average daily rates as published by the Baltic Dry Index ("BDI").

The Company records time charter revenues, including spot market-related time charters, over the term of the charter as service is provided. Revenues are recognized on a straight-line basis as the average revenue over the term of the respective time charter agreement for which the performance obligations are satisfied beginning when the vessel is delivered to the charterer until it is redelivered back to the Company. The Company records spot market-related time charter revenues over the term of the charter as service is provided based on the rate determined based on the BDI for each respective billing period. As such, the revenue earned by the Company's vessels that are on spot market-related time charters is subject to fluctuations of the spot market. Time charter contracts, including spot market-related time charters, are considered operating leases and therefore do not fall under the scope of ASC 606 — *Revenue from Contracts with Customers* ("ASC 606") because (i) the vessel is an identifiable asset; (ii) the Company does not have substantive substitution rights; and (iii) the charterer has the right to control the use of the vessel during the term of the contract and derives economic benefit from such use.

The Company has identified that time charter agreements, including fixed rate time charters and spot market-related time charters, contain a lease in accordance with ASC 842 — *Leases (Topic 842)* ("ASC 842"). Refer to Note 13 — Voyage Revenues for further discussion.

Spot market voyage charters

In a spot market voyage charter contract, the charterer hires the vessel to transport a specific agreed-upon cargo for a single voyage, which may contain multiple load ports and discharge ports. The consideration in such a contract is determined on the basis of a freight rate per metric ton of cargo carried or occasionally on a lump sum basis. The charter party generally has a minimum amount of cargo. The charterer is liable for any short loading of cargo or "dead" freight. The contract generally has a "demurrage" or "despatch" clause. As per this clause, the charterer reimburses the Company for any potential delays exceeding the allowed laytime as per the charter party clause at the ports visited which is

recorded as demurrage revenue. Conversely, the charterer is given credit if the loading/discharging activities happen within the allowed laytime known as despatch resulting in a reduction in revenue. The voyage contracts generally have variable consideration in the form of demurrage or despatch. The amount of revenue earned as demurrage or despatch paid by the Company for the years ended December 31, 2023, 2022 and 2021 is not a material percentage of the Company's revenues.

Revenue for spot market voyage charters is recognized ratably over the total transit time of each voyage, which commences at the time the vessel arrives at the loading port and ends at the time the discharge of cargo is completed at the discharge port.

Voyage expense recognition

In time charters and spot market-related time charters, operating costs including crews, maintenance and insurance are typically paid by the owner of the vessel and specified voyage costs such as fuel and port charges are paid by the charterer. These expenses are borne by the Company during spot market voyage charters. As such, there are significantly higher voyage expenses for spot market voyage charters as compared to time charters and spot market-related time charters. Refer to Note 13 — Voyage Revenues for further discussion of the accounting for fuel expenses for spot market voyage charters. There are certain other non-specified voyage expenses, such as commissions, which are typically borne by the Company. At the inception of a time charter, the Company records the difference between the cost of bunker fuel delivered by the terminating charterer and the bunker fuel sold to the new charterer as a gain or loss within voyage expenses. Additionally, the Company records lower of cost and net realizable value adjustments to re-value the bunker fuel on a quarterly basis for certain time charter agreements where the inventory is subject to gains and losses. These differences in bunkers, including any lower of cost and net realizable value adjustments, resulted in a net loss (gain) of \$168, (\$2,931) and (\$1,889) during the years ended December 31, 2023, 2022 and 2021, respectively. Additionally, voyage expenses include the cost of bunkers consumed during short-term time charters pursuant to the terms of the time charter agreement.

Loss on debt extinguishment

During the year ended December 31, 2021, the Company recorded \$4,408 related to the loss on the extinguishment of debt in accordance with ASC 470-50 — "*Debt – Modifications and Extinguishments*" ("ASC 470-50"). This loss was recognized as a result of the refinancing of the \$495 Million Credit Facility and the \$133 Million Credit Facility with the \$450 Million Credit Facility on August 31, 2021 as described in Note 7 — Debt.

Vessel operating expenses

Vessel operating expenses include crew wages and related costs, the cost of insurance, expenses relating to repairs and maintenance, the cost of spares and consumable stores, and other miscellaneous expenses. Vessel operating expenses are recognized when incurred.

Charter hire expenses

The costs to charter-in third party vessels, which primarily include the daily charter hire rate net of commissions, are recorded as Charter hire expenses. The Company recorded \$9,135, \$27,130 and \$36,370 of charter hire expenses during the years ended December 31, 2023, 2022 and 2021, respectively.

Technical management fees

Technical management fees include the direct costs, including operating costs, incurred by GSSM for the technical management of the vessels under its management. Additionally, prior to the transfer of our vessels to GSSM for technical management, we incurred management fees payable to third party technical management companies for the day-to-day management of our vessels, including performing routine maintenance, attending to vessel operation and arranging for crews and supplies.

Impairment of long-lived assets

During the year ended December 31, 2023, the Company recorded \$41,719 related to the impairment of vessel assets in accordance with ASC 360 — “*Property, Plant and Equipment*” (“ASC 360”). During the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021, the Company did not incur any impairment of vessel assets in accordance with ASC 360. ASC 360 requires impairment losses to be recorded on long-lived assets used in operations when indicators of impairment are present and the undiscounted cash flows estimated to be generated by those assets are less than their carrying amounts. If indicators of impairment are present, the Company performs an analysis of the anticipated undiscounted future net cash flows to be derived from the related long-lived assets.

When the Company performs its analysis of the anticipated undiscounted future net cash flows, the Company utilizes various assumptions based on historical trends. Specifically, the Company utilizes the rates currently in effect for the duration of their current time charters or spot market voyage charters, without assuming additional profit sharing. For periods of time during which the Company’s vessels are not fixed on time charters or spot market voyage charters, the Company utilizes an estimated daily time charter equivalent for the vessels’ unfixed days based on the most recent ten year historical one-year time charter average. In addition, the Company considers the current market rate environment and, if necessary, will adjust its estimates of future undiscounted cash flows to reflect the current rate environment. The projected undiscounted future net cash flows are determined by considering the future voyage revenues from existing time charters for the fixed fleet days and an estimated daily time charter equivalent for the unfixed days over the estimated remaining life of the vessel, assumed to be 25 years from the delivery of the vessel from the shipyard, reduced by brokerage and address commissions, expected outflows for vessels’ maintenance and vessel operating expenses (including planned drydocking and special survey expenditures) and required capital expenditures adjusted annually for inflation, assuming fleet utilization of 98%. The salvage value used in the impairment test is estimated to be \$400 per light weight ton, consistent with the Company’s depreciation policy during 2023.

The Company is currently considering the acquisition of modern, high specification Capesize vessels and management continues to evaluate other acquisition opportunities in the market. In order to partially fund the potential purchase of these modern vessels, management has begun to evaluate the sale of its older and smaller Capesize vessels that will be scheduled for their third special survey in 2024 in order to opportunistically renew our fleet going forward. Such review led management to assess its probability weighted undiscounted cash flows for such vessels, and this resulted in the Company recording such impairment charges in the third quarter of 2023. On September 30, 2023, the Company determined that the expected estimated future undiscounted cash flows for three of its Capesize vessels, the Genco Claudius, Genco Commodus and Genco Maximus, did not exceed the net book value of these vessels as of September 30, 2023. This resulted in an impairment loss of \$28,102 during the year ended December 31, 2023.

On November 14, 2023, the Company entered into an agreement to sell the Genco Commodus, a 2009-built Capesize vessel, to a third party for \$19,500 less a 1.0% commission payable to a third party. Additionally, on December 21, 2023, the Company entered into agreements to sell the Genco Claudius, a 2010-built Capesize vessel, to a third party for \$18,500 less a 1.0% commission payable to a third party and the Genco Maximus, a 2009-built Capesize vessel, to a third party for \$18,000 less a 1.0% commission payable to a third party. Therefore, the vessel values for the Genco Commodus, Genco Claudius and Genco Maximus were adjusted to their net sales price of \$19,305, \$18,315 and \$17,820, respectively, as of December 31, 2023. This resulted in an additional impairment loss of \$13,617 during the year ended December 31, 2023. On February 24, 2024, the Company terminated its agreements to sell the Genco Claudius and the Genco Maximus due to the buyers’ breach of the agreements’ terms. Refer to Note 18 — Subsequent Events for further discussion.

Refer to Note 4 — Vessel Acquisitions and Dispositions for further detail regarding the sale of certain aforementioned vessels.

Gain on sale of vessels

During the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, the Company did not complete the sale of any vessels. During the year ended December 31, 2021, the Company recorded net gains of \$4,924, related to the sale of vessels. The net gains recognized during the year ended December 31, 2021 related primarily to the sale of the Genco Provence, partially offset by losses related to the sale of the Baltic Panther, the Baltic Hare, the Baltic Cougar, the Baltic Leopard and the Genco Lorraine, as well as net losses associated with the exchange of the Baltic Cove, Baltic Fox, Genco Spirit, Genco Avra and Genco Mare. Refer to Note 4 — Vessel Acquisitions and Dispositions for further detail regarding the sale of these vessels.

United States Gross Transportation Tax

Pursuant to Section 883 of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (as amended) (the “Code”), qualified income derived from the international operations of ships is excluded from gross income and exempt from U.S. federal income tax if a company engaged in the international operation of ships meets certain requirements (the “Section 883 exemption”). Among other things, in order to qualify, the Company must be incorporated in a country that grants an equivalent exemption to U.S. corporations and must satisfy certain qualified ownership requirements.

The Company is incorporated in the Marshall Islands. Pursuant to the income tax laws of the Marshall Islands, the Company is not subject to Marshall Islands income tax. The Marshall Islands has been officially recognized by the Internal Revenue Service as a qualified foreign country that currently grants the requisite equivalent exemption from tax. The Company is not taxable in any other jurisdiction, with the exception of Genco Shipping Pte. Ltd. and Genco Shipping A/S, as noted in the “Income taxes” section below.

The Company will qualify for the Section 883 exemption if, among other things, (i) the Company’s stock is treated as primarily and regularly traded on an established securities market in the United States (the “publicly traded test”) or (ii) the Company satisfies the qualified shareholder test or (iii) the Company satisfies the controlled foreign corporation test (the “CFC test”). Under applicable Treasury Regulations, the publicly traded test cannot be satisfied in any taxable year in which persons who actually or constructively own 5% or more of the Company’s stock (which the Company sometimes refers to as “5% shareholders”), together own 50% or more of the Company’s stock (by vote and value) for more than half the days in such year (which the Company sometimes refers to as the “five percent override rule”), unless an exception applies. A foreign corporation satisfies the qualified shareholder test if more than 50 percent of the value of its outstanding shares is owned (or treated as owned by applying certain attribution rules) for at least half of the number of days in the foreign corporation’s taxable year by one or more “qualified shareholders.” A qualified shareholder includes a foreign corporation that, among other things, satisfies the publicly traded test. A foreign corporation satisfies the CFC test if it is a “controlled foreign corporation” and one or more qualified U.S. persons own more than 50 percent of the total value of all the outstanding stock.

Based on the publicly traded requirement of the Section 883 regulations, the Company believes that it qualified for exemption from income tax on income derived from the international operations of vessels during the years ended December 31, 2023, 2022 and 2021. In order to meet the publicly traded requirement, the Company’s stock must be treated as being primarily and regularly traded for more than half the days of any such year. Under the Section 883 regulations, the Company’s qualification for the publicly traded requirement may be jeopardized if 5% shareholders own, in the aggregate, 50% or more of the Company’s common stock for more than half the days of the year. Management believes that during the years ended December 31, 2023, 2022 and 2021, the combined ownership of its 5% shareholders did not equal 50% or more of its common stock for more than half the days of each of those years.

If the Company does not qualify for the Section 883 exemption, the Company’s U.S. source shipping income, i.e., 50% of its gross shipping income attributable to transportation beginning or ending in the U.S. (but not both beginning and ending in the U.S.) is subject to a 4% tax without allowance for deductions (the “U.S. gross transportation tax”).

During the years ended December 31, 2023, 2022 and 2021, the Company qualified for Section 883 exemption and, therefore, did not record any U.S. gross transportation tax.

Income taxes

To the extent the Company’s U.S. source shipping income, or other U.S. source income, is considered to be effectively connected income, as described below, any such income, net of applicable deductions, would be subject to the U.S. federal corporate income tax, imposed at a 21% rate. In addition, the Company may be subject to a 30% “branch profits” tax on such income, and on certain interest paid or deemed paid attributable to the conduct of such trade or business. Shipping income is generally sourced 100% to the United States if attributable to transportation exclusively between United States ports (the Company is prohibited from conducting such voyages), 50% to the United States if attributable to transportation that begins or ends, but does not both begin and end, in the United States (as described in “United States Gross Transportation Tax” above) and otherwise 0% to the United States.

The Company's U.S. source shipping income would be considered effectively connected income only if:

- the Company has, or is considered to have, a fixed place of business in the U.S. involved in the earning of U.S. source shipping income; and
- substantially all of the Company's U.S. source shipping income is attributable to regularly scheduled transportation, such as the operation of a vessel that follows a published schedule with repeated sailings at regular intervals between the same points for voyages that begin or end in the U.S.

The Company does not intend to have, or permit circumstances that would result in having, any vessel sailing to or from the U.S. on a regularly scheduled basis. Based on the current shipping operations of the Company and the Company's expected future shipping operations and other activities, the Company believes that none of its U.S. source shipping income will constitute effectively connected income. However, the Company may from time to time generate non-shipping income that may be treated as effectively connected income.

The Company established Genco Shipping Pte. Ltd. ("GSPL"), which is based in Singapore, on September 8, 2017. GSPL applied for and was awarded the Maritime Sector Incentive – Approved International Shipping Enterprise ("MSI-AIS") status under Section 13F of the Singapore Income Tax Act ("SITA") by the Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore. The award is for an initial period of 10 years, commencing on August 15, 2018, and is subject to a review of performance at the end of the initial five year period. The MSI-ASI status provides for a tax exemption on income derived by GSPL from qualifying shipping operations under Section 13F of the SITA. Income from non-qualifying activities is taxable at the prevailing Singapore Corporate income tax rate (currently 17%). During the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, GSPL recorded \$31 and \$64 of income tax in Other (expense) income in the Consolidated Statement of Operations, respectively. During the year ended December 31, 2021, there was no income tax recorded by GSPL.

During 2018, the Company established Genco Shipping A/S, which is a Danish-incorporated corporation which is based in Copenhagen and considered to be a resident for tax purposes in Denmark. Genco Shipping A/S was subject to corporate taxes in Denmark a rate of 22% during 2023, 2022 and 2021. During the years ended December 31, 2023, 2022 and 2021, Genco Shipping A/S recorded \$205, \$1,209 and \$2, respectively, of income tax in Other (expense) income in the Consolidated Statements of Operations.

GSSM was subject to corporate taxes in Singapore during 2023, 2022 and 2021 at a rate of 17%. During the years ended December 31, 2023, 2022 and 2021, the Company recorded \$238, \$350 and \$26, respectively, of income tax in Other (expense) income in the Consolidated Statements of Operations.

Concentration of credit risk

Financial instruments that potentially subject the Company to concentrations of credit risk are amounts due from charterers and cash and cash equivalents. With respect to amounts due from charterers, the Company attempts to limit its credit risk by performing ongoing credit evaluations and, when deemed necessary, requires letters of credit, guarantees or collateral. The Company earned all of its voyage revenues from 110, 123 and 139 customers during the years ended December 31, 2023, 2022 and 2021.

For the year ended December 31, 2023, there were two customers that individually accounted for more than 10% voyage revenues: Rio Tinto Shipping (Asia) Pte. Ltd. and Oldendorff Carriers, including its subsidiaries, which represented 16.1% and 10.9% of voyage revenues, respectively. For the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021, there were no customers that individually accounted for more than 10% of voyage revenues.

As of December 31, 2023 and 2022, the Company maintains all of its cash and cash equivalents with eight and six financial institutions, respectively. None of the Company's cash and cash equivalents balance is covered by insurance in the event of default by these financial institutions.

Recent accounting pronouncements

In November 2023, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (“FASB”) issued Accounting Standards Update (“ASU”) 2023-07, *Improvements to Reportable Segment Disclosures* (“ASU 2023-07”), which amends the existing segment reporting guidance (ASC Topic 280 — *Segment Reporting* (“ASC 280”)) to improve reportable segment disclosure requirements, primarily through enhanced disclosures about significant segment expenses that are regularly provided to the chief operating decision maker (“CODM”) and included within each reported measure of segment profit or loss, an amount for other segment items by reportable segment and a description of its composition, the title and position of the CODM and an explanation of how the CODM uses the reported measure(s) of segment profit or loss in assessing segment performance and deciding how to allocate resources. In addition, companies with a single reporting segment will have to provide all of the disclosures required by ASC 280, including the significant segment expense disclosures.

The amendments in this update are effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2023, and interim periods within fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2024. Early adoption is permitted. The Company is currently evaluating the impact of our pending adoption of this standard on its financial statement disclosures.

3 - CASH FLOW INFORMATION

For the year ended December 31, 2023, the Company had non-cash investing activities not included in the Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows for items included in Accounts payable and accrued expenses consisting of \$374 for the Purchase of vessels and ballast water treatment systems, including deposits and \$161 for the Purchase of other fixed assets. For the year ended December 31, 2023, the Company had non-cash financing activities not included in the Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows for items included in Accounts payable and accrued expense consisting of \$1,030 for Cash dividends payable and \$38 for the Payment of deferred financing costs. Additionally, for the year ended December 31, 2023, the Company had non-cash investing activities not included in the Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows for items in Prepaid expenses and other current assets consisting of \$151 for the Purchase of vessels and ballast water treatment systems, including deposits.

For the year ended December 31, 2022, the Company had non-cash investing activities not included in the Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows for items included in Accounts payable and accrued expenses consisting of \$2,394 for the Purchase of vessels and ballast water treatment systems, including deposits and \$1,178 for the Purchase of other fixed assets. For the year ended December 31, 2022, the Company had non-cash financing activities not included in the Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows for items included in Accounts payable and accrued expense consisting of \$1,056 for Cash dividends payable.

For the year ended December 31, 2021, the Company had non-cash investing activities not included in the Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows for items included in Accounts payable and accrued expenses consisting of \$1,643 for the Purchase of vessels and ballast water treatment systems, including deposits, \$6 for the Purchase of scrubbers, and \$1,160 for the Purchase of other fixed assets. For the year ended December 31, 2021, the Company had non-cash financing activities not included in the Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows for items included in Accounts payable and accrued expense consisting of \$157 for Cash dividends payable and \$9 associated with the Payment of deferred financing costs.

During the years ended December 31, 2023, 2022 and 2021, cash paid for interest, net of amounts capitalized, was \$13,626, \$9,329 and \$11,749, respectively, which was offset by \$6,972, \$1,936 and \$0 received as a result of the interest rate cap agreements, respectively. Refer to Note 7 — Debt.

During the years ended December 31, 2023, 2022 and 2021, any cash paid for income taxes was insignificant.

During the year ended December 31, 2023, the Company made a reclassification of \$55,440 from Vessels, net of accumulated depreciation to Vessels held for sale as the Company entered into agreements to sell the Genco Commodus, Genco Claudius and Genco Maximus prior to December 31, 2023. Refer to Note 4 — Vessel Acquisitions and Dispositions.

During the year ended December 31, 2022, the Company reclassified \$18,543 from Deposits on vessels to Vessels, net of accumulated depreciation upon the delivery of the Genco Mary and the Genco Laddey. Refer to Note 4 — Vessel Acquisitions and Dispositions.

All stock options exercised during the years ended December 31, 2023, 2022 and 2021 were cashless. Refer to Note 16 — Stock-Based Compensation for further information.

On June 16, 2023, the Company granted 3,917 restricted stock units and 3,917 performance-based restricted stock units to an individual. The aggregate fair value of these restricted stock units and performance-based restricted stock units was \$56 and \$64, respectively.

On May 16, 2023, the Company granted 43,729 restricted stock units to certain members of the Board of Directors. The aggregate fair value of these restricted stock units was \$600.

On April 14, 2023, the Company granted 75,920 restricted stock units and 75,920 performance-based restricted stock units to certain individuals. The aggregate fair value of these restricted stock units and performance-based restricted stock units was \$1,237 and \$1,451, respectively.

On April 3, 2023, the Company granted 1,630 restricted stock units to an individual. The aggregate fair value of these restricted stock units was \$25.

On March 10, 2023, the Company granted 2,948 restricted stock units to an individual. The aggregate fair value of these restricted stock units was \$50.

On February 21, 2023, the Company granted 68,758 restricted stock units to certain individuals. The aggregate fair value of these restricted stock units was \$1,250.

On December 23, 2022, the Company issued 270,097 restricted stock units to certain individuals. The aggregate fair value of these restricted stock units was \$4,200.

On May 16, 2022, the Company issued 27,331 restricted stock units to certain members of the Board of Directors. The aggregate fair value of these restricted stock units was \$600.

On February 23, 2022, the Company issued 201,934 restricted stock units to certain individuals. The aggregate fair value of these restricted stock units was \$3,950.

On May 13, 2021, the Company issued 33,525 restricted stock units to certain members of the Board of Directors. The aggregate fair value of these restricted stock units was \$515.

On May 4, 2021, the Company issued 18,428 restricted stock units to a member of the Board of Directors. The aggregate fair value of these restricted stock units was \$300.

On February 23, 2021, the Company issued 103,599 restricted stock units and options to purchase 118,552 shares of the Company's stock at an exercise price of \$9.91 to certain individuals. The fair value of these restricted stock units and stock options were \$1,027 and \$513, respectively.

Refer to Note 16 — Stock-Based Compensation for further information regarding the aforementioned grants.

4 - VESSEL ACQUISITIONS AND DISPOSITIONS

Vessel Acquisitions

On October 10, 2023, the Company entered into an agreement to acquire a 2016-built 181,000 dwt Capesize vessel that was renamed the Genco Ranger for a purchase price of \$43,100. Additionally, on November 14, 2023, the Company entered into an agreement to acquire a 2016-built 181,000 dwt Capesize vessel that was renamed the Genco Reliance for a purchase price of \$43,000. The Genco Ranger and Genco Reliance were delivered on November 27, 2023 and November 21, 2023, respectively. The Company utilized a combination of cash on hand as well as a \$65,000 draw down on the \$450 Million Credit Facility to finance the purchases.

On July 2, 2021, the Company entered into an agreement to purchase two 2017-built, 63,000 dwt Ultramax vessels for a purchase price of \$24,563 each, that were renamed the Genco Mayflower and Genco Constellation, and one 2014-built, 63,000 dwt Ultramax vessel for a purchase price of \$21,875, that was renamed the Genco Madeleine. The Genco Mayflower, the Genco Constellation and the Genco Madeleine were delivered on August 24, 2021, September 3, 2021 and August 23, 2021, respectively. The Company used cash on hand to finance the purchase.

These three vessels had existing below market time charters at the time of the acquisition during the third quarter of 2021; therefore, the Company recorded the fair market value of time charters acquired of \$4,263 which was amortized as an increase to voyage revenues during the remaining term of each respective time charter. During the year ended December 31, 2021, \$4,263 was amortized into voyage revenues.

On May 18, 2021, the Company entered into agreements to acquire two 2022-built 61,000 dwt newbuilding Ultramax vessels from Dalian Cosco KHI Ship Engineering Co. Ltd. for a purchase price of \$29,170 each, that were renamed the Genco Mary and the Genco Laddey. The vessels were delivered to the Company on January 6, 2022. The Company used cash on hand to finance the purchase. The remaining purchase price of \$40,838 was paid during the first quarter of 2022 upon delivery of the vessels.

Capitalized interest expense associated with these newbuilding contracts for the year ended December 31, 2023, 2022 and 2021 was \$0, \$5 and \$292, respectively.

On April 20, 2021, the Company entered into an agreement to purchase a 2016-built, 64,000 dwt Ultramax vessel for a purchase price of \$20,200, that was renamed the Genco Enterprise. The vessel was delivered to the Company on August 23, 2021, and the Company used cash on hand to finance the purchase.

Vessel Exchange

On December 17, 2020, the Company entered into an agreement to acquire three Ultramax vessels in exchange for six Handysize vessels for a fair value of \$46,000 less a 1.0% commission payable to a third party. The Genco Magic, a 2014-built Ultramax vessel, and the Genco Vigilant and the Genco Freedom, both 2015-built Ultramax vessels, were delivered to the Company on December 23, 2020, January 28, 2021 and February 20, 2021, respectively. The Genco Ocean, the Baltic Cove and the Baltic Fox, all 2010-built Handysize vessels, were delivered to the buyers on December 29, 2020, January 30, 2021 and February 2, 2021, respectively. The Genco Spirit, the Genco Avra and the Genco Mare, all 2011-built Handysize vessels, were delivered to the buyers on February 15, 2021, February 21, 2021 and February 24, 2021, respectively.

Vessel Dispositions

On November 14, 2023, the Company entered into an agreement to sell the Genco Commodus, a 2009-built Capesize vessel, to a third party for \$19,500 less a 1.0% commission payable to a third party. The sale was completed on February 7, 2024. Additionally, on December 21, 2023, the Company entered into agreements to sell the Genco Claudius, a 2010-built Capesize vessel, to a third party for \$18,500 less a 1.0% commission payable to a third party and the Genco Maximus, a 2009-built Capesize vessel, to a third party for \$18,000 less a 1.0% commission payable to a third party. Refer to Note 18 — Subsequent Events.

On July 16, 2021, the Company entered into an agreement to sell the Genco Provence, a 2004-built Supramax vessel, to a third party for \$13,250 less a 2.5% commission payable to a third party. The sale was completed on November 2, 2021.

On January 25, 2021, the Company entered into an agreement to sell the Baltic Leopard, a 2009-built Supramax vessel, to a third party for \$8,000 less a 2.0% commission payable to a third party. The sale was completed on April 8, 2021.

On January 22, 2021, the Company entered into an agreement to sell the Genco Lorraine, a 2009-built Supramax vessel, to a third party for \$7,950 less a 2.5% commission payable to a third party. The sale was completed on July 6, 2021.

During November 2020, the Company entered into agreements to sell the Baltic Cougar, the Baltic Hare and the Baltic Panther. These vessels were classified as held for sale in the Consolidated Balance Sheet as of December 31, 2020. The sale of the Baltic Hare, the Baltic Panther and the Baltic Cougar were completed on January 15, 2021, January 4, 2021 and February 24, 2021, respectively.

As of December 31, 2022, the Company recorded \$5,643 of current restricted cash in the Consolidated Balance Sheets, representing the net proceeds from the sale of the Genco Provence on November 2, 2021 which served as collateral under the \$450 Million Credit Facility. Pursuant to the \$450 Million Credit Facility, the net proceeds received from the sale remained classified as restricted cash for 360 days following the sale date. That amount can be used towards the financing of replacement vessels meeting certain requirements and added as collateral under the facility. If such a replacement vessel is not added as collateral within such 360-day period, the Company will be required to use the proceeds as a loan prepayment. On November 8, 2022, the Company entered into an agreement with the lenders under the \$450 Million Credit Facility to extend this period with regard to net proceeds from the sale of the Genco Provence until October 28, 2023. Furthermore, on October 16, 2023, the Company entered into an agreement with the lenders to further extend this period until January 26, 2024. This restricted cash was released on November 29, 2023 upon the amendment of the existing \$450 Million Credit Facility with the \$500 Million Revolver. Refer also to Note 7 — Debt.

Refer to the “Impairment of long-lived assets” and the “Gain on sale of vessels” sections in Note 2 — Summary of Significant Accounting Policies for discussion of impairment expense and the gain on sale of vessels recorded during the years ended December 31, 2023, 2022 and 2021.

5 – NET (LOSS) EARNINGS PER SHARE

The computation of basic net (loss) earnings per share is based on the weighted-average number of common shares outstanding during the reporting period. The computation of diluted net (loss) earnings per share assumes the vesting of nonvested stock awards and the exercise of stock options (refer to Note 16 — Stock-Based Compensation), for which the assumed proceeds upon vesting are deemed to be the amount of compensation cost attributable to future services and are not yet recognized using the treasury stock method, to the extent dilutive.

There were 368,190 stock options, 79,838 performance-based restricted stock units and 563,705 restricted stock units excluded from the computation of diluted net loss per share during the year ended December 31, 2023 because they were anti-dilutive (refer to Note 16 — Stock-Based Compensation).

The Company’s diluted net (loss) earnings per share will also reflect the assumed conversion of the equity warrants issued when the Company emerged from bankruptcy on July 9, 2014 (the “Effective Date”) if the impact is dilutive under the treasury stock method. The equity warrants had a seven-year term that commenced on the day following the Effective Date and were exercisable for one tenth of a share of the Company’s common stock. There were 3,936,761 equity warrants excluded from the computation of diluted earnings per share during the year ended December 31, 2021 because they were anti-dilutive. These equity warrants expired at 5:00 p.m. on July 9, 2021 without exercise.

The components of the denominator for the calculation of basic and diluted net (loss) earnings per share are as follows:

	For the Years Ended December 31,		
	2023	2022	2021
Common shares outstanding, basic:			
Weighted-average common shares outstanding, basic	42,766,262	42,412,722	42,060,996
Common shares outstanding, diluted:			
Weighted-average common shares outstanding, basic	42,766,262	42,412,722	42,060,996
Dilutive effect of stock options	—	314,143	313,684
Dilutive effect of performance-based restricted stock units	—	—	—
Dilutive effect of restricted stock units	—	188,631	214,191
Weighted-average common shares outstanding, diluted	42,766,262	42,915,496	42,588,871

6 - RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

During the years ended December 31, 2023, 2022 and 2021, the Company did not have any related party transactions.

7 - DEBT

Long-term debt consists of the following:

	December 31, 2023	December 31, 2022
Principal amount	\$ 200,000	\$ 171,000
Less: Unamortized deferred financing costs	(9,831)	(6,079)
Less: Current portion	—	—
Long-term debt, net	<u>\$ 190,169</u>	<u>\$ 164,921</u>

	December 31, 2023		December 31, 2022	
	Principal	Unamortized Debt Issuance Cost	Principal	Unamortized Debt Issuance Cost
\$450 Million Credit Facility	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 171,000	\$ 6,079
\$500 Million Revolver	200,000	9,831	—	—
Total debt	<u>\$ 200,000</u>	<u>\$ 9,831</u>	<u>\$ 171,000</u>	<u>\$ 6,079</u>

As of December 31, 2023 and 2022, \$9,831 and \$6,079 of deferred financing costs, respectively, were presented as a direct deduction within the outstanding debt balance in the Company's Consolidated Balance Sheets. Amortization expense for deferred financing costs for the years ended December 31, 2023, 2022 and 2021 was \$1,779, \$1,694 and \$3,536, respectively. This amortization expense is recorded as a component of Interest expense in the Consolidated Statements of Operations.

On November 29, 2023, the Company entered into a fourth amendment to amend, extend and upsize our existing \$450 Million Credit Facility to implement the \$500 Million Revolver as noted below.

In conjunction with the debt modification effective November 29, 2023 as discussed herein, the unamortized deferred financing costs for the \$450 Million Credit Facility that was accounted for as a debt modification is being amortized over the life of the \$500 Million Revolver in accordance with ASC 470-50.

On August 31, 2021, the \$495 Million Credit Facility and the \$133 Million Credit Facility were refinanced with the \$450 Million Credit Facility as noted below.

Effective August 31, 2021, the portion of the unamortized deferred financing costs for the \$495 Million Credit Facility and the \$133 Million Credit Facility that was accounted for as a debt modification, rather than an extinguishment of debt, is being amortized over the life of the \$450 Million Credit Facility in accordance with ASC 470-50.

\$500 Million Revolver

On November 29, 2023, the Company entered into a fourth amendment to amend, extend and upsize its existing \$450 Million Credit Facility. The amended structure consists of a \$500 million revolving credit facility, which can be utilized to support growth of our asset base as well as general corporate purposes (the “\$500 Million Revolver”). Key terms of the \$500 Million Revolver are as follows:

- Maximum loan capacity has been increased to \$500,000.
- The entire facility consists of a revolving credit facility.
- Borrowings bear interest of 1.85% to 2.15% plus the Secured Overnight Financing Rate (“SOFR”), based on our ratio of total net indebtedness to EBITDA.
- The interest rate of our borrowings may be further increased or decreased by a margin of up to 0.05% based on our performance regarding emissions targets.
- The maturity date is November 2028.
- The facility has a repayment profile of 20 years with total quarterly commitment reductions of approximately \$15,000 per quarter.
- Key covenants are substantially the same as those in the \$450 Million Credit Facility.
- The Company may declare and pay dividends and other distributions so long as, at the time of declaration, (1) no event of default has occurred and is continuing or would occur as a result of the declaration and (2) the Company is in pro forma compliance with its financial covenants after giving effect to the dividend.
- Collateral package includes 45 of the 46 vessels in the Company’s fleet as of December 31, 2023 and the Company has the ability to utilize the Genco Reliance or future vessels the Company may own as collateral.
- Commitment fees are 40% of the applicable interest rate margin for unutilized commitments.

As of December 31, 2023, there was \$294,795 of availability under the \$500 Million Revolver. Total debt repayments of \$9,750 were made during the year ended December 31, 2023 under the \$500 Million Revolver. As of December 31, 2023, the total outstanding debt, net of unamortized deferred financing costs, was \$190,169.

As of December 31, 2023, the Company was in compliance with all of the financial covenants under the \$500 Million Revolver.

The following table sets forth the scheduled repayment of the outstanding principal debt of \$200,000 as of December 31, 2023 under the \$500 Million Revolver:

Year Ending December 31,	Total
2028	\$ 200,000
Total debt	\$ 200,000

\$450 Million Credit Facility

On August 3, 2021, the Company entered into the \$450 Million Credit Facility, a five-year senior secured credit facility which is allocated between an up to \$150,000 term loan facility and an up to \$300,000 revolving credit facility which was used to refinance the Company's \$495 Million Credit Facility and its \$133 Million Credit Facility. On August 31, 2021, proceeds of \$350,000 under the \$450 Million Credit Facility were used, together with cash on hand, to refinance all of the Company's existing credit facilities (the \$495 Million Credit Facility and the \$133 Million Credit Facility, as described below) into one facility. \$150,000 was drawn down under the term loan facility and \$200,000 was drawn down under the revolving credit facility.

The key terms associated with the \$450 Million Credit Facility are as follows:

- The final maturity date was August 3, 2026.
- Borrowings were subject to a limit of the ratio of the principal amount of debt outstanding to the collateral ("LTV") of 55%.
- There was a non-committed accordion term loan facility whereby additional borrowings of up to \$150,000 may be incurred if additional eligible collateral is provided; such additional borrowings were subject to an LTV ratio of 60% for collateral vessels less than five years old or 55% for collateral vessels at least five years old but not older than seven years.
- Borrowings originally bore interest at the London Inter-Bank Offered Rate ("LIBOR") plus a margin of 2.15% to 2.75% based on the Company's quarterly total net leverage ratio (the ratio of total indebtedness to consolidated EBITDA), which could be increased or decreased by a margin of up to 0.05% based on the Company's performance regarding emissions targets. On May 30, 2023, the Company entered in an amendment to the \$450 Million Credit Facility to transition from the use of LIBOR to calculate interest based on SOFR effective June 30, 2023, plus the applicable margin referred to above.
- Scheduled quarterly commitment reductions were \$11,720 per quarter followed by a balloon payment of \$215,600.
- Collateral included thirty-nine of our current vessels, leaving five vessels unencumbered.
- Commitment fees were 40% of the applicable margin for unutilized commitments.
- The Company could sell or dispose of collateral vessels without loan prepayment if a replacement vessel or vessels meeting certain requirements are included as collateral within 360 days.
- The Company is subject to customary financial covenants, including a collateral maintenance covenant requiring the aggregate appraised value of collateral vessels to be at least 140% of the principal amount of loans outstanding, a minimum liquidity covenant requiring our unrestricted cash and cash equivalents to be the greater of \$500 per vessel or 5% of total indebtedness, a minimum working capital covenant requiring consolidated current assets (excluding restricted cash) minus current liabilities (excluding the current portion of debt) to be not less than zero, and a debt to capitalization covenant requiring the ratio of total net indebtedness to total capitalization to be not more than 70%.

- The Company may declare and pay dividends and other distributions so long as, at the time of declaration, (1) no event of default has occurred and is continuing or would occur as a result of the declaration and (2) the Company is in pro forma compliance with its financial covenants after giving effect to the dividend. Other restrictions in the dividend covenants of the Company's prior credit facilities were eliminated.

On May 30, 2023, the Company entered into an amendment to the \$450 Million Credit Facility to transition from the use of LIBOR to calculate interest to SOFR effective June 30, 2023. Borrowings bore interest at SOFR plus the applicable margin effective June 30, 2023.

On November 8, 2022, the Company entered into an agreement with the lenders under the \$450 Million Credit Facility to extend the 360-day period that the net proceeds received from the sale of the Genco Provence may be held as restricted cash to finance a qualifying replacement vessel until October 28, 2023. Furthermore, on October 16, 2023, the Company entered into an agreement with the lenders to further extend this period until January 26, 2024. This restricted cash was released on November 29, 2023 upon the amendment of the existing \$450 Million Credit Facility with the \$500 Million Revolver. Refer also to Note 4 — Vessel Acquisitions and Dispositions.

Total debt repayments of \$236,000, \$75,000 and \$104,000 were made during the years ended December 31, 2023, 2022 and 2021, respectively, under the \$450 Million Credit Facility.

On November 29, 2023, the Company entered into a fourth amendment to the \$450 Million Credit Facility; refer to the "\$500 Million Revolver" section above. As of December 31, 2023 and 2022, the total outstanding debt, net of unamortized deferred financing costs, was \$0 and \$164,921, respectively.

\$133 Million Credit Facility

On August 14, 2018, the Company entered into a five-year senior secured credit facility (the "\$108 Million Credit Facility") with Crédit Agricole Corporate & Investment Bank ("CACIB"), as Structurer and Bookrunner, CACIB and Skandinaviska Enskilda Banken AB (Publ) as Mandate Lead Arrangers, CACIB as Administrative Agent and as Security Agent, and the other lenders party thereto from time to time.

On June 11, 2020, the Company entered into an amendment and restatement agreement to the \$108 Million Credit Facility which provided for a revolving credit facility of up to \$25,000 (the "Revolver") for general corporate and working capital purposes (as so amended, the \$133 Million Credit Facility"). On June 15, 2020, the Company drew down \$24,000 under the Revolver.

On August 31, 2021, the \$133 Million Credit Facility was refinanced with the \$450 Million Credit Facility; refer to the "\$450 Million Credit Facility" section above. As of December 31, 2023 and 2022, the total outstanding net debt balance under this facility was \$0.

In relation to the \$108,000 tranche of the \$133 Million Credit Facility, borrowings bore interest at LIBOR plus 2.50% through September 30, 2019 and LIBOR plus a range of 2.25% to 2.75% thereafter, dependent upon the Company's ratio of total net indebtedness to the last twelve months EBITDA.

In relation to the \$25,000 Revolver tranche of the \$133 Million Credit Facility, borrowings bore interest at LIBOR plus 3.00%.

Total debt repayments of \$114,940 were made during the year ended December 31, 2021 under the \$133 Million Credit Facility.

\$495 Million Credit Facility

On May 31, 2018, the Company entered into a five-year senior secured credit facility for an aggregate amount of up to \$460,000 with Nordea Bank AB (publ), New York Branch ("Nordea"), as Administrative Agent and Security Agency, the various lenders party thereto, and Nordea, Skandinaviska Enskilda Banken AB (publ), ABN AMRO Capital USA LLC, DVB Bank SE, Crédit Agricole Corporate & Investment Bank, and Danish Ship Finance A/S as Bookrunners and Mandated Lead Arrangers. Deutsche Bank AG Filiale Deutschlandgeschäft, and CTBC Bank Co. Ltd. are Co-Arrangers under this facility.

On February 28, 2019, the Company entered into an Amendment and Restatement Agreement (the “Amendment”) for this credit facility (the “\$495 Million Credit Facility”) with Nordea Bank AB (publ), New York Branch (“Nordea”), as Administrative Agent and Security Agent, the various lenders party thereto, and Nordea, Skandinaviska Enskilda Banken AB (publ), ABN AMRO Capital USA LLC, DVB Bank SE, Crédit Agricole Corporate & Investment Bank, and Danish Ship Finance A/S as Bookrunners and Mandated Lead Arrangers. The Amendment provided for an additional tranche up to \$35,000 to finance a portion of the acquisitions, installations, and related costs for scrubbers for 17 of the Company’s Capesize vessels. On August 28, 2019, September 23, 2019 and March 12, 2020, the Company made total drawdowns of \$9,300, \$12,200 and \$11,250, respectively, under the \$35 Million tranche of the \$495 Million Credit Facility.

On December 17, 2020, the Company entered into an amendment to the \$495 Million Credit Facility that allowed the Company to enter into a vessel transaction in which the Company agreed to acquire three Ultramax vessels in exchange for six of the Company’s Handysize vessels. Refer to Note 4 — Vessel Acquisitions and Dispositions.

On August 31, 2021, the \$495 Million Credit Facility was refinanced with the \$450 Million Credit Facility; refer to the “\$450 Million Credit Facility” section above. As of December 31, 2023 and 2022, the total outstanding net debt balance under this facility was \$0.

In relation to the \$460,000 tranche of the \$495 Million Credit Facility, borrowings bore interest at LIBOR plus 3.25% through December 31, 2018 and LIBOR plus a range of 3.00% and 3.50% thereafter, dependent upon the Company’s ratio of total net indebtedness to the last twelve months EBITDA.

In relation to the \$35,000 tranche of the \$495 Million Credit Facility, borrowings bore interest at LIBOR plus 2.50% through September 30, 2019 and LIBOR plus a range of 2.25% to 2.75% thereafter, dependent upon the Company’s ratio of total net indebtedness to the last twelve months’ EBITDA.

Total debt repayments of \$334,288 were made during the year ended December 31, 2021 under the \$495 Million Credit Facility.

Interest rates

The following tables set forth the effective interest rate associated with the interest expense for the Company’s debt facilities noted above, including the costs associated with unused commitment fees, if applicable. The effective interest rate below does not include the effect of any interest rate cap agreements. The following tables also include the range of interest rates on the debt, excluding the impact of unused commitment fees, if applicable:

	For the Years Ended December 31,		
	2023	2022	2021
Effective Interest Rate	8.29 %	4.63 %	3.22 %
Range of Interest Rates (excluding unused commitment fees)	6.43 % to 7.58 %	2.26 % to 6.54 %	2.24 % to 3.48 %

Letter of credit

In conjunction with the Company entering into a long-term office space lease (See Note 14 — Leases), the Company was required to provide a letter of credit to the landlord in lieu of a security deposit. As of September 21, 2005, the Company obtained an annually renewable unsecured letter of credit with DnB NOR Bank at a fee of 1% per annum. During September 2015, the Company replaced the unsecured letter of credit with DnB NOR Bank with an unsecured letter of credit with Nordea Bank Finland Plc, New York and Cayman Island Branches (“Nordea”) in the same amount at a fee of 1.375% per annum. The letter of credit outstanding was \$300 as of December 31, 2023 and 2022 at a fee of 1.375% per annum. The letter of credit is cancelable on each renewal date provided the landlord is given 30 days’ minimum notice. As of December 31, 2023 and 2022, the letter of credit outstanding has been securitized by \$315 that was paid by the Company to Nordea during the year ended December 31, 2015. These amounts have been recorded as restricted cash included in total noncurrent assets in the Consolidated Balance Sheets as of December 31, 2023 and 2022.

8 – DERIVATIVE INSTRUMENTS

The Company is exposed to interest rate risk on its floating rate debt. As of December 31, 2023 and 2022, the Company had one and three interest rate cap agreements outstanding, respectively, to manage interest costs and the risk associated with variable interest rates. The three interest rate cap agreements that we held were initially designated and qualified as cash flow hedges. The premium paid is recognized in income on a rational basis, and all changes in the value of the caps are deferred in Accumulated other comprehensive income (“AOCI”) and are subsequently reclassified into Interest expense in the period when the hedged interest affects earnings. One of the Company’s \$50,000 interest rate cap agreements expired on March 10, 2023 and the Company’s \$100,000 interest rate cap agreement expired on December 29, 2023.

During the second quarter of 2022, based on the total outstanding debt under the \$450 Million Credit Facility being below the total notional amount of the interest rate cap agreements, a portion of one of the interest rate cap agreements was dedesignated as a hedge. Subsequent gains and losses resulting from valuation adjustments on the dedesignated portion of the cap are recorded within interest expense. As the forecasted interest payments hedged are not remote of occurring, the amounts in AOCI as of the date of de-designation will be recognized over the remaining original hedge period. During the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, the Company recorded a loss (gain) of \$66 and (\$94) in interest expense for the portion of the interest rate caps not designated as a hedging instrument.

The following table summarizes the interest rate cap agreement in place as of December 31, 2023.

Interest Rate Cap Detail				Notional Amount Outstanding	
Trade date	Cap Rate	Start Date	End Date	December 31, 2023	
March 25, 2021	0.75 %	April 29, 2021	March 28, 2024	\$	50,000
				\$	50,000

The Company records the fair value of the interest rate caps as Fair value of derivative instruments in the current and non-current asset section on its Consolidated Balance Sheets. The Company has elected to use the income approach to value the interest rate derivatives using observable Level 2 market expectations at the measurement date and standard valuation techniques to convert future amounts to a single present amount (discounted) reflecting current market expectations about those future amounts. Level 2 inputs for derivative valuations are limited to quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets (specifically futures contracts) and inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability (specifically SOFR cash and swap rates, implied volatility, basis swap adjustments, and credit risk at commonly quoted intervals). Mid-market pricing is used as a practical expedient for most fair value measurements. The valuation of the interest rate caps was transitioned to the use of SOFR rates on June 30, 2023 upon the transition of the calculation of the interest expense under the Company’s debt from LIBOR to SOFR (see Note 7 — Debt).

The Company recorded a \$5,953 unrealized loss for the year ended December 31, 2023 in AOCI. The estimated income that is currently recorded in AOCI as of December 31, 2023 that is expected to be reclassified into earnings within the next twelve months is \$527.

The Effect of Fair Value and Cash Flow Hedge Accounting on the Statements of Operations

	For the Year Ended December 31,		
	2023	2022	2021
	Interest Expense	Interest Expense	Interest Expense
Total amounts of income and expense line items presented in the statements of operations in which the effects of fair value or cash flow hedges are recorded	\$ 8,780	\$ 9,094	\$ 15,357

The effects of fair value and cash flow hedging

Gain or (loss) on cash flow hedging relationships in Subtopic 815-20:

Interest contracts:

Amount of gain or (loss) reclassified from AOCI to income	\$ (6,871)	\$ (2,056)	\$ —
Premium excluded and recognized on an amortized basis	143	180	197
Amount of gain or (loss) reclassified from AOCI to income as a result that a forecasted transaction is no longer probable of occurring	—	—	—

The following table shows the interest rate cap assets as of December 31, 2023 and 2022:

Balance Sheet Location		December 31, 2023	December 31, 2022
Derivatives designated as hedging instruments			
Interest rate caps	Fair value of derivative instruments - current	\$ 515	\$ 6,112
Interest rate caps	Fair value of derivative instruments - noncurrent	\$ —	\$ 381
Derivatives not designated as hedging instruments			
Interest rate caps	Fair value of derivative instruments - current	\$ 57	\$ 200
Interest rate caps	Fair value of derivative instruments - noncurrent	\$ —	\$ 42

The components of AOCI included in the accompanying Consolidated Balance Sheet consists of net unrealized losses on cash flow hedges as of December 31, 2023.

AOCI — January 1, 2023	\$ 6,480
Amount recognized in OCI on derivative, intrinsic	(6,275)
Amount recognized in OCI on derivative, excluded	322
Amount reclassified from OCI into income	—
AOCI — December 31, 2023	<u>\$ 527</u>

9 - FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The fair values and carrying values of the Company's financial instruments as of December 31, 2023 and 2022 which are required to be disclosed at fair value, but not recorded at fair value, are noted below.

	December 31, 2023		December 31, 2022	
	Carrying Value	Fair Value	Carrying Value	Fair Value
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 46,542	\$ 46,542	\$ 58,142	\$ 58,142
Restricted cash	315	315	5,958	5,958
Principal amount of floating rate debt	200,000	200,000	171,000	171,000

The carrying value of the borrowings under the \$500 Million Revolver as of December 31, 2023 and the \$450 Million Credit Facility as of December 31, 2022, which exclude the impact of deferred financing costs, approximate their fair value due to the variable interest nature thereof as each of these credit facilities represent floating rate loans. Refer to Note 7 — Debt for further information regarding the Company's credit facilities. The carrying amounts of the Company's other financial instruments as of December 31, 2023 and 2022 (principally Due from charterers and Accounts payable and accrued expenses) approximate fair values because of the relatively short maturity of these instruments.

ASC Subtopic 820-10, "*Fair Value Measurements & Disclosures*" ("ASC 820-10"), applies to all assets and liabilities that are being measured and reported on a fair value basis. This guidance enables the reader of the consolidated financial statements to assess the inputs used to develop those measurements by establishing a hierarchy for ranking the quality and reliability of the information used to determine fair values. The fair value framework requires the categorization of assets and liabilities into three levels based upon the assumptions (inputs) used to price the assets or liabilities. Level 1 provides the most reliable measure of fair value, whereas Level 3 requires significant management judgment. The three levels are defined as follows:

- Level 1—Valuations based on quoted prices in active markets for identical instruments that the Company is able to access. Since valuations are based on quoted prices that are readily and regularly available in an active market, valuation of these instruments does not entail a significant degree of judgment.
- Level 2—Valuations based on quoted prices in active markets for instruments that are similar, or quoted prices in markets that are not active for identical or similar instruments, and model-derived valuations in which all significant inputs and significant value drivers are observable in active markets.
- Level 3—Valuations based on inputs that are unobservable and significant to the overall fair value measurement.

Cash and cash equivalents and restricted cash are considered Level 1 items, as they represent liquid assets with short-term maturities. Floating rate debt is considered to be a Level 2 item, as the Company considers the estimate of rates it could obtain for similar debt or based upon transactions amongst third parties. Interest rate cap agreements, bunker swap agreements and forward fuel purchase agreements are considered to be Level 2 items. Refer to Note 8 — Derivative Instruments and Note 2 — Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, respectively, for further information. Nonrecurring fair value measurements include vessel impairment assessments completed during the interim period and at year-end as determined based on third-party quotes, which are based on various data points, including comparable sales of similar vessels, which are Level 2 inputs. During the year ended December 31, 2023, the vessel assets for three of the Company's vessels were written down as part of the impairment recorded during the period. There was no vessel impairment recorded during the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021. Refer to "Impairment of long-lived assets" section in Note 2 — Summary of Significant Accounting Policies.

The fair value determination for the operating lease right-of-use assets was based on third party quotes, which is considered a Level 2 input. Nonrecurring fair value measurements may include impairment tests of the Company's operating lease right-of use asset if there are indicators of impairment. During the years ended December 31, 2023, 2022 and 2021, there were no indicators of impairment of the operating lease right-of-use assets.

The Company did not have any Level 3 financial assets or liabilities as of December 31, 2023 and 2022.

10 – PREPAID EXPENSES AND OTHER CURRENT ASSETS

Prepaid expenses and other current assets consist of the following:

	December 31, 2023	December 31, 2022
Vessel stores	\$ 152	\$ 142
Deferred contract costs (see Note 13)	1,938	2,474
Prepaid items	4,808	3,098
Insurance receivable	1,402	1,180
Advance to agents	1,183	463
Other	671	1,042
Total prepaid expenses and other current assets	<u>\$ 10,154</u>	<u>\$ 8,399</u>

11 – FIXED ASSETS

Fixed assets consist of the following:

	December 31, 2023	December 31, 2022
Fixed assets, at cost:		
Vessel equipment	\$ 11,781	\$ 11,670
Furniture and fixtures	477	449
Leasehold improvements	1,588	1,584
Computer equipment	1,288	1,107
Total costs	<u>15,134</u>	<u>14,810</u>
Less: accumulated depreciation and amortization	(8,063)	(6,254)
Total fixed assets, net	<u>\$ 7,071</u>	<u>\$ 8,556</u>

12 – ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND ACCRUED EXPENSES

Accounts payable and accrued expenses consist of the following:

	December 31, 2023	December 31, 2022
Accounts payable	\$ 10,650	\$ 16,162
Accrued general and administrative expenses	5,700	6,171
Accrued vessel operating expenses	7,895	7,142
Total accounts payable and accrued expenses	<u>\$ 24,245</u>	<u>\$ 29,475</u>

13 – VOYAGE REVENUES

Total voyage revenues include revenue earned on fixed rate time charters, spot market voyage charters and spot market-related time charters, as well as the sale of bunkers consumed during short-term time charters. For the years ended December 31, 2023, 2022 and 2021, the Company earned \$383,825, \$536,934 and \$547,129 of voyage revenues, respectively.

Revenue for spot market voyage charters is recognized ratably over the total transit time of the voyage, which begins when the vessel arrives at the loading port and ends at the time the discharge of cargo is completed at the discharge port in accordance with ASC 606. Spot market voyage charter agreements do not provide the charterers with substantive decision-making rights to direct how and for what purpose the vessel is used, therefore revenue from spot market voyage charters is not within the scope of ASC 842. Additionally, the Company has identified that the contract fulfillment costs of spot market voyage charters consist primarily of the fuel consumption that is incurred by the Company from the latter of the end of the previous vessel employment and the contract date until the arrival at the loading port, in addition to any port expenses incurred prior to arrival at the load port, as well as any charter hire expenses for third party vessels that are chartered in. The fuel consumption and any port expenses incurred prior to arrival at the load port during this period is deferred and recorded in Prepaid expenses and other current assets as deferred contract costs in the Consolidated Balance Sheets and is amortized ratably over the total transit time of the voyage from arrival at the loading port until the vessel departs from the discharge port and expensed as part of Voyage Expenses. Similarly, for any third party vessels that are chartered in, the charter hire expenses during this period are deferred and recorded in Prepaid expenses and other current assets in the Consolidated Balance Sheets and are amortized and expensed as part of Charter hire expenses. Refer also to Note 10 — Prepaid Expenses and Other Current Assets.

During time charter agreements, including fixed rate time charters and spot market-related time charters, the charterers have substantive decision-making rights to direct how and for what purpose the vessel is used. As such, the Company has identified that time charter agreements contain a lease in accordance with ASC 842. During time charter agreements, the Company is responsible for operating and maintaining the vessels. These costs are recorded as vessel operating expenses in the Consolidated Statements of Operations. The Company has elected the practical expedient that allows the Company to combine lease and non-lease components under ASC 842 as the Company believes (1) the timing and pattern of recognizing revenues for operating the vessel is the same as the timing and pattern of recognizing vessel leasing revenue; and (2) the lease component, if accounted for separately, would be classified as an operating lease.

Total voyage revenue recognized in the Consolidated Statements of Operations includes the following:

	For the Years Ended		
	December 31,		
	2023	2022	2021
Lease revenue	\$ 150,719	\$ 229,787	\$ 160,242
Spot market voyage revenue	233,106	307,147	386,887
Total voyage revenues	<u>\$ 383,825</u>	<u>\$ 536,934</u>	<u>\$ 547,129</u>

14 – LEASES

Effective April 4, 2011, the Company entered into a seven-year sub-sublease agreement for its main office in New York, New York. The term of the sub-sublease commenced June 1, 2011 and ended on May 1, 2018. The Company entered into a direct lease with the over-landlord of such office space that commenced immediately upon the expiration of such sub-sublease agreement, for a term covering the period from May 1, 2018 to September 30, 2025. For accounting purposes, the sub-sublease agreement and direct lease agreement with the landlord constitute one lease agreement.

The Company entered into a lease for office space in Singapore effective January 17, 2019 for a three-year term, which was initially extended effective January 17, 2022 for a two-year term. This lease was further extended effective January 17, 2024 for a two-year term.

Lastly, the Company entered into a lease for office space in Copenhagen effective May 1, 2019 which ended January 31, 2023. During June 2022, a lease was signed for a new office space in Copenhagen effective January 1, 2023 for a minimum period ending January 1, 2025.

The Company adopted ASC 842 using the transition method on January 1, 2019 and has identified the aforementioned leases as operating leases. Variable rent expense, such as utilities and escalation expenses, are excluded from the determination of the operating lease liability and the Company has deemed these insignificant. The Company used its incremental borrowing rate as the discount rate under ASC 842 since the rate implicit in the lease cannot be readily determined.

On June 14, 2019, the Company entered into a sublease agreement for a portion of the leased space for its main office in New York, New York that commenced on July 26, 2019 and will end on September 29, 2025. There was a free base rental period for the first four and a half months commencing on July 26, 2019. Following the expiration of the free base rental period, the monthly base sublease income is \$102 per month until September 29, 2025. Sublease income is recorded net with the total operating lease costs in General and administrative expenses in the Consolidated Statements of Operations. There was \$1,223 of sublease income recorded during each of the years ended December 31, 2023, 2022 and 2021, respectively.

There was \$1,721, \$1,789 and \$1,852 of operating lease costs recorded during the years ended December 31, 2023, 2022 and 2021, respectively, which was recorded in General and administrative expenses in the Consolidated Statements of Operations.

Supplemental Consolidated Balance Sheet information related to the Company's operating leases as of December 31, 2023 is as follows:

	December 31, 2023
<u>Operating Lease:</u>	
Operating lease right-of-use assets	\$ 2,628
Current operating lease liabilities	\$ 2,295
Long-term operating lease liabilities	1,801
Total operating lease liabilities	\$ 4,096
Weighted average remaining lease term (years)	1.75
Weighted average discount rate	5.15 %

Maturities of operating lease liabilities as of December 31, 2023 are as follows:

	December 31, 2023
2024	\$ 2,453
2025	1,839
Total lease payments	4,292
Less imputed interest	(196)
Present value of lease liabilities	\$ 4,096

Consolidated Cash Flow information related to leases are as follows:

	For the Year Ended December 31,		
	2023	2022	2021
Cash paid for amounts included in the measurement of lease liabilities:			
Operating cash flows from operating leases	\$ 2,378	\$ 2,230	\$ 2,230

The Company charters in third-party vessels and the Company is the lessee in these agreements under ASC 842. The Company has elected the practical expedient under ASC 842 to not recognize right-of-use assets and lease liabilities for short-term leases. During the years ended December 31, 2023, 2022 and 2021, all charter-in agreements for third-party vessels were less than twelve months and considered short-term leases. Refer to Note 2 — Summary of Significant Accounting Policies for the charter hire expenses recorded during the years ended December 31, 2023, 2022 and 2021 for these charter-in agreements.

15 - SAVINGS PLAN

In August 2005, the Company established a 401(k) plan that is available to U.S. based full-time employees who meet the plan's eligibility requirements. This 401(k) plan is a defined contribution plan, which permits employees to make contributions up to maximum percentage and dollar limits allowable by IRS Code Sections 401(k), 402(g), 404 and 415. Any matching contribution the Company makes vests immediately. For the years ended December 31, 2023, 2022 and 2021, the Company's matching contributions to this plan were \$650, \$482 and \$440, respectively.

16 - STOCK-BASED COMPENSATION

2015 Equity Incentive Plan

On June 26, 2015, the Company's Board of Directors approved the 2015 Equity Incentive Plan for awards with respect to an aggregate of 400,000 shares of common stock (the "2015 Plan"). Under the 2015 Plan, the Company's Board of Directors, the Compensation Committee, or another designated committee of the Board of Directors may grant a variety of stock-based incentive awards to the Company's officers, directors, employees, and consultants. Awards may consist of stock options, stock appreciation rights, dividend equivalent rights, restricted (nonvested) stock, restricted stock units, and unrestricted stock.

On March 23, 2017, the Board of Directors approved an amendment and restatement of the 2015 Plan. This amendment and restatement increased the number of shares available for awards under the plan from 400,000 to 2,750,000, subject to shareholder approval; set the annual limit for awards to non-employee directors and other individuals as 500,000 and 1,000,000 shares, respectively; and modified the change in control definition. The Company's shareholders approved the increase in the number of shares at the Company's 2017 Annual Meeting of Shareholders on May 17, 2017.

On March 19, 2021, the Board of Directors approved an amendment and restatement of the 2015 Equity Incentive Plan (the "Amended 2015 Plan"). This amendment and restatement increased the number of shares available for awards under the plan from 2,750,000 to 4,750,000, subject to shareholder approval. The Company's shareholders approved the increase in the number of shares at the Company's 2021 Annual Meeting of Shareholders on May 13, 2021.

As of December 31, 2023, the Company has awarded restricted stock units, performance-based restricted stock units, restricted stock and stock options under the Amended 2015 Plan.

Stock Options

On March 4, 2019, the Company issued options to purchase 240,540 of the Company's shares of common stock to certain individuals with an exercise price of \$8.065 per share, as adjusted for the special dividend declared on November 5, 2019. One third of the options become exercisable on each of the first three anniversaries of March 4, 2019, with accelerated vesting that may occur following a change in control of the Company, and all unexercised options expire on the sixth anniversary of the grant date. The fair value of each option was estimated on the date of the grant using the Black-Scholes-Merton pricing formula, resulting in a value of \$3.76 per share, or \$904 in the aggregate. The assumptions used in the Black-Scholes-Merton option pricing formula are as follows: volatility of 55.23% (representing the Company's historical volatility), a risk-free interest rate of 2.49%, a dividend yield of 0%, and expected life of 4.00 years (determined using the simplified method as outlined in SAB Topic 14 due to lack of historical exercise data).

On February 25, 2020, the Company issued options to purchase 344,568 of the Company's shares of common stock to certain individuals with an exercise price of \$7.06 per share. One third of the options become exercisable on each of the first three anniversaries of February 25, 2020, with accelerated vesting that may occur following a change in control of the Company, and all unexercised options expire on the sixth anniversary of the grant date. The fair value of each option was estimated on the date of the grant using the Cox-Ross-Rubinstein pricing formula, resulting in a value of \$2.01 per share, or \$693 in the aggregate. The assumptions used in the Cox-Ross-Rubinstein option pricing formula are as follows: volatility of 53.91% (representing the Company's historical volatility), a risk-free interest rate of 1.41%, a dividend yield of 7.13%, and expected life of 4 years (determined using the simplified method as outlined in SAB Topic 14 due to lack of historical exercise data).

On February 23, 2021, the Company issued options to purchase 118,552 of the Company's shares of common stock to certain individuals with an exercise price of \$9.91 per share. One third of the options become exercisable on each of the first three anniversaries of February 23, 2021, with accelerated vesting that may occur following a change in control of the Company, and all unexercised options expire on the sixth anniversary of the grant date. The fair value of each option was estimated on the date of the grant using the Cox-Ross-Rubinstein pricing formula, resulting in a value of \$4.33 per share, or \$513 in the aggregate. The assumptions used in the Cox-Ross-Rubinstein option pricing formula are as follows: volatility of 60.91% (representing the Company's historical volatility), a risk-free interest rate of 0.41%, a dividend yield of 0.98%, and expected life of 4 years (determined using the simplified method as outlined in SAB Topic 14 due to lack of historical exercise data).

For the years ended December 31, 2023, 2022 and 2021, the Company recognized amortization expense of the fair value of its stock options, which is included in General and administrative expenses, as follows:

	For the Years Ended December 31,		
	2023	2022	2021
General and administrative expenses	\$ 83	\$ 278	\$ 635

Amortization of the unamortized stock-based compensation balance of \$6 as of December 31, 2023 is expected to be amortized during the year ended December 31, 2024. The following table summarizes the stock option activity for the years ended December 31, 2023, 2022 and 2021:

	For the Years Ended December 31,								
	2023			2022			2021		
	Number of Options	Weighted Average Exercise Price	Weighted Average Fair Value	Number of Options	Weighted Average Exercise Price	Weighted Average Fair Value	Number of Options	Weighted Average Exercise Price	Weighted Average Fair Value
Outstanding as of January 1	415,227	\$ 7.91	\$ 2.78	916,287	\$ 9.02	\$ 4.08	837,338	\$ 8.86	\$ 4.02
Granted	—	—	—	—	—	—	118,552	9.91	4.33
Exercised	(47,037)	7.70	2.53	(501,060)	9.94	5.16	(39,603)	8.37	3.46
Forfeited	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Outstanding as of December 31	<u>368,190</u>	<u>\$ 7.93</u>	<u>\$ 2.82</u>	<u>415,227</u>	<u>\$ 7.91</u>	<u>\$ 2.78</u>	<u>916,287</u>	<u>\$ 9.02</u>	<u>\$ 4.08</u>
Exercisable as of December 31	<u>337,654</u>	<u>\$ 7.76</u>	<u>\$ 2.68</u>	<u>221,336</u>	<u>\$ 7.63</u>	<u>\$ 2.63</u>	<u>488,969</u>	<u>\$ 9.88</u>	<u>\$ 5.04</u>

The following table summarizes certain information about the options outstanding as of December 31, 2023:

	Options Outstanding and Unvested, December 31, 2023			Options Outstanding and Exercisable, December 31, 2023			
	Weighted Average Exercise Price of Outstanding Options	Number of Options	Weighted Average Exercise Price	Weighted Average Remaining Contractual Life	Number of Options	Weighted Average Exercise Price	Weighted Average Remaining Contractual Life
\$	7.93	30,536	\$ 9.91	3.15	337,654	\$ 7.76	2.25

As of December 31, 2023 and 2022, a total of 368,190 and 415,227 stock options were outstanding, respectively.

Restricted Stock Units

The Company has granted restricted stock units (“RSUs”) to certain members of the Board of Directors and certain executives and employees of the Company, which represent the right to receive a share of common stock, or in the sole discretion of the Company’s Compensation Committee, the value of a share of common stock on the date that the RSU vests. As of December 31, 2023 and 2022, 808,880 and 612,300 shares of the Company’s common stock were outstanding in respect of the RSUs, respectively. Such shares will only be issued in respect of vested RSUs issued to directors when the director’s service with the Company as a director terminates. Such shares of common stock will only be issued to executives and employees when their RSUs vest under the terms of their grant agreements and the Amended 2015 Plan described above.

The RSUs that have been issued to certain members of the Board of Directors generally vest on the date of the annual shareholders meeting of the Company following the date of the grant. In lieu of cash dividends issued for vested and nonvested shares held by certain members of the Board of Directors, the Company will grant additional vested and nonvested RSUs, respectively, which are calculated by dividing the amount of the dividend by the closing price per share of the Company’s common stock on the dividend payment date and will have the same terms as other RSUs issued to members of the Board of Directors. The RSUs that have been issued to other individuals vest in equal installments on each of the anniversaries of the determined vesting date, over the three or five year vesting periods, as applicable.

The table below summarizes the Company’s unvested RSUs for the years ended December 31, 2023, 2022 and 2021:

	For the Years Ended December 31,					
	2023		2022		2021	
	Number of RSUs	Weighted Average Grant Date Price	Number of RSUs	Weighted Average Grant Date Price	Number of RSUs	Weighted Average Grant Date Price
Outstanding as of January 1	641,972	\$ 15.74	306,887	\$ 9.65	298,834	\$ 7.49
Granted	214,497	16.26	533,969	17.55	159,492	11.93
Vested	(243,442)	14.36	(198,884)	11.23	(151,439)	7.79
Forfeited	(49,322)	16.42	—	—	—	—
Outstanding as of December 31	<u>563,705</u>	<u>\$ 16.47</u>	<u>641,972</u>	<u>\$ 15.74</u>	<u>306,887</u>	<u>\$ 9.65</u>

The total fair value of the RSUs that vested during the years ended December 31, 2023, 2022 and 2021 was \$4,260, \$4,006 and \$1,838, respectively. The total fair value is calculated as the number of shares vested during the period multiplied by the fair value on the vesting date.

The following table summarizes certain information of the RSUs unvested and vested as of December 31, 2023:

Unvested RSUs December 31, 2023			Vested RSUs December 31, 2023	
Number of RSUs	Weighted Average Grant Date Price	Weighted Average Remaining Contractual Life	Number of RSUs	Weighted Average Grant Date Price
563,705	\$ 16.47	1.38	290,782	\$ 12.38

The Company is amortizing these grants over the applicable vesting periods, net of anticipated forfeitures. As of December 31, 2023, unrecognized compensation cost of \$4,204 related to RSUs will be recognized over a weighted-average period of 1.38 years.

For the years ended December 31, 2023, 2022 and 2021, the Company recognized nonvested stock amortization expense for the RSUs, which is included in General and administrative expenses as follows:

	For the Years Ended December 31,		
	2023	2022	2021
General and administrative expenses	\$ 5,050	\$ 2,964	\$ 1,632

Performance-Based Restricted Stock Units

The Company has granted performance-based restricted stock units (“PRSUs”) under the 2015 Plan to certain employees of the Company, some of which are contingent upon the Company’s relative total shareholder return (“TSR”) and some of which are contingent upon the Company’s return on invested capital (“ROIC”) for a three-year performance period ending December 31, 2025.

TSR is calculated based on the Company’s total shareholder return compared to that of certain peer companies specified in the award agreements over the performance period and is calculated based on the change in the average daily closing stock price over a 20 trading-day period from the beginning to the end of the performance period, including reinvested dividends. The total quantity of PRSUs eligible to vest under these awards range from zero to 200% of the target based on actual relative TSR performance during the performance period. The grant date fair value of the TSR awards was estimated using a Monte Carlo simulation model. Compensation for these awards, which are subject to market conditions, is being amortized over the service period.

The grant date fair value of the ROIC awards was estimated using the closing share price of the Company’s stock on the date of grant. The total quantity of PRSUs eligible to vest under these awards range from zero to 200% of the target based on actual ROIC performance during the performance period. As such ROIC awards are subject to performance conditions and compensation cost is recognized over the service period based on the amounts of awards that the Company believes is probable that will vest, net of anticipated forfeitures. To the extent the Company’s estimate changes, the Company will recognize a cumulative catch up in subsequent reporting periods.

The PRSUs, if earned, will ordinarily vest during the first quarter of 2026 and the recipient will receive a share of common stock for each earned PRSU. If 100% of the target metric is achieved, the recipient will earn 100% of the target amount of the PRSUs originally granted, which would amount to 79,838 PRSUs. However, based on actual performance, the number of PRSUs earned will change based on the ranges described above. As of December 31, 2023, unrecognized compensation cost of \$1,118 related to PRSUs will be recognized over a weighted-average period of 2.00 years.

Significant inputs used in the estimation of the fair value of these awards granted during the year ended December 31, 2023 are as follows:

Significant Input	December 31, 2023
Closing share price of our common stock	\$14.36 to \$16.30
Risk-free rate of return	3.81% to 4.38%
Expected volatility of our common stock	53.38% to 54.53%
Holding period discount	0%
Simulation term (in years)	2.54 to 2.72
Range of target	0% to 200%

For the years ended December 31, 2023, 2022 and 2021, the Company recognized nonvested stock amortization expense for the PRSUs, which is included in General and administrative expenses as follows:

	For the Years Ended December 31,		
	2023	2022	2021
General and administrative expenses	\$ 397	\$ —	\$ —

17 – LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

On December 14, 2022, a sub-charterer of the Genco Constellation asserted a claim for monetary losses in connection with alleged delays of the loading of their cargo, short loading, or both at the port of Longkou, China. Hizone Group Co. Ltd (“Hizone”) had sub-chartered the vessel from SCM Corporation Limited, which had subchartered the vessel from BG Shipping Co. Limited, which in turn had chartered the vessel from us. A dispute arose due to the need to restow the cargo to ensure the safety of the crew and the vessel. Following the vessel’s arrival at Tema Harbour in Ghana, Hizone petitioned the Superior Court of Judicature to have the vessel arrested in connection with a claim alleging damages. The petition was granted on December 14, 2022 and although Genco offered security to release the vessel shortly thereafter, the vessel was only released at the end of February 2023. Moreover, Hizone petitioned the Superior Court of Judicature to have the vessel arrested again on February 2, 2023 on an allegedly different claim. The vessel was not generating revenue while it was subject to arrest. The Company vigorously defended them while continuing to seek reimbursement of damages arising from the arrest of the vessel, including the recovery of lost revenue while arrested and reimbursement of legal fees. The Company obtained security from BG Shipping Co. Limited and proceeded with arbitration. During the first quarter of 2024, the Company settled all disputes and claims pertaining to this matter by entering into settlement agreements with the opposing parties. Under the settlement terms, which are currently being implemented, the Company will be reimbursed for damages the Company sustained because of the arrest of the Genco Constellation (including contractual revenue and affiliated expenses) as well as for the ensuing legal and security fees and costs the Company have incurred in order to defend against the claims brought by the other parties.

From time to time, the Company may be subject to other legal proceedings and claims in the ordinary course of its business, principally personal injury and property casualty claims. Such claims, even if lacking merit, could result in the expenditure of significant financial and managerial resources. The Company is not aware of any such legal proceedings or claims that it believes will have, individually or in the aggregate, a material effect on the Company, its financial condition, results of operations or cash flows.

18 – SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

On February 21, 2024, the Company’s Board of Directors awarded grants of 168,411 RSUs to certain individuals under the 2015 Plan. The awards generally vest ratably on each of the three year anniversaries of February 23, 2024. Additionally, on February 21, 2024, the Company’s Board of Directors awarded grants of 99,065 PRSUs to certain individuals for a three-year performance period ending December 31, 2026. The PRSUs, if earned, will vest during the first quarter of 2027.

On February 21, 2024, the Company announced a regular quarterly dividend of \$0.41 per share to be paid on or about March 13, 2024, to shareholders of record as of March 6, 2024. The aggregate amount of the dividend is expected to be approximately \$17.8 million, which the Company anticipates will be funded from cash on hand at the time the payment is to be made.

On February 7, 2024, the Company completed the sale of the Genco Commodus, a 2009-built Capesize vessel, to a third party for \$19,500 less a 1.0% commission payable to a third party. The vessel asset for the Genco Commodus has been classified as held for sale in the Consolidated Balance Sheet as of December 31, 2023 at its estimated net realizable value. This vessel served as collateral under the \$500 Million Revolver.

On February 24, 2024, the Company terminated its agreements to sell the Genco Claudius and the Genco Maximus due to the buyers' breach of the agreements' terms. The Company continues to market these vessels for sale in what it believes are favorable market conditions that may allow it to sell the vessels at prices above those previously agreed with the former buyers. Refer to Note 4 — Vessel Acquisitions and Dispositions.

MARKET INFORMATION, HOLDERS AND DIVIDENDS

Our common stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange (“NYSE”) under the symbol “GNK.”

As of February 27, 2024, there were approximately eleven holders of record of our common stock.

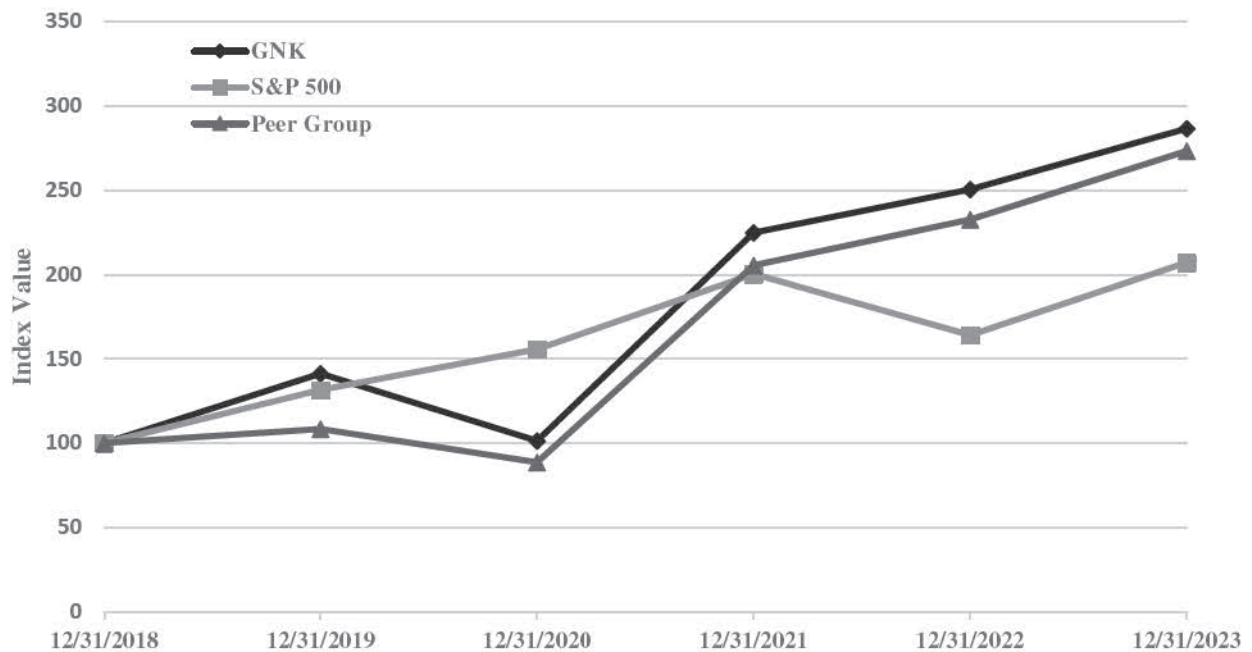
On April 19, 2021, our Board of Directors adopted a new quarterly dividend policy commencing in the first quarter of 2022 in respect to our financial results for the fourth quarter of 2021 based on a formulaic approach. Our quarterly dividend policy and declaration and payment of dividends are subject to legally available funds, compliance with applicable laws and contractual obligations (including our credit facility) and our Board’s determination that each declaration and payment is at that time in the best interests of the Company and its shareholders after its review of our financial performance.

For a discussion of restrictions applicable to our payment of dividends as well as the formula for calculating the quarterly dividends, please see “Liquidity and Capital Resources—Dividends” in “Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operation” above.

PERFORMANCE GRAPH

The following graph illustrates a comparison of the cumulative total shareholder return (change in stock price plus reinvested dividends) of Genco Shipping & Trading Limited's common stock with the Standard and Poor's 500 Index, and a peer group. The peer group consists of Eagle Bulk Shipping, Star Bulk Carriers Corp., Diana Shipping Inc., Golden Ocean Group Limited, Safe Bulkers, Inc., Pacific Basin Shipping Limited, Pangaea Logistics Solutions Ltd., Belships ASA, Seenergy Maritime Holdings Corp., and Thorsen Thai Agencies Plc. The comparison assumes a \$100 investment on December 31, 2018. The comparisons in the graph are required by the Securities and Exchange Commission and are not intended to forecast or be indicative of possible future performance of the Company's common stock. Data for the Standard and Poor's 500 Index and the peer group assume reinvestment of dividends.

Total Return Performance



	<u>12/31/2018</u>	<u>12/31/2019</u>	<u>12/31/2020</u>	<u>12/31/2021</u>	<u>12/31/2022</u>	<u>12/31/2023</u>
GNK	\$100.00	\$141.19	\$101.33	\$224.73	\$250.38	\$286.54
S&P 500	\$100.00	\$131.49	\$155.68	\$200.37	\$164.08	\$207.21
Peer Group	\$100.00	\$108.28	\$88.59	\$205.44	\$232.53	\$273.27

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