SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 6-K

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16 OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Dated: December 22, 2010

Commission File No. <u>001-33311</u>

NAVIOS MARITIME HOLDINGS INC.

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Yes □ No ☑

On December 22, 2010, Navios Maritime Holdings Inc. (the "Company") announced that it had agreed to purchase \$131.3 million of certain series of its 2% mandatorily convertible preferred stock that were previously issued in connection with the acquisition of Capesize vessels. The Company agreed to pay cash of \$49.2 million for the \$131.3 million of such preferred stock. The purchase of such preferred stock was completed on December 27, 2010. The press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 to this Report and is incorporated herein by reference.

This information contained in this Report is hereby incorporated by reference into the Company's Registration Statements on Form F-3, File Nos. 333-136936, 333-129382 and 333-165754 and on Form S-8, File No. 333-147186.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this Report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

NAVIOS MARITIME HOLDINGS INC.

By: /s/ Angeliki Frangou
Angeliki Frangou
Chief Executive Officer Date: January 5, 2011

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No. Exhibit

99.1 Press Release dated December 22, 2010

Navios Maritime Holdings Inc. Announces Buyback of \$131.3 Million Mandatorily Convertible Preferred Stock

PIRAEUS, Greece, December 22, 2010 — Navios Maritime Holdings Inc. ("Navios Holdings") (NYSE: NM) a global, vertically integrated seabome shipping and logistics company, announced today that it has agreed to purchase \$131.3 million of certain series of the 2% Mandatorily Convertible Preferred Stock ("Preferred Stock") previously issued in connection with the acquisition of Capesize vessels.

Navios Holdings will pay \$49.2 million in cash for \$131.3 million of Preferred Stock, reflecting a 62.5% discount to the face amount. No dividend payment will be made on such stock for the fourth quarter of 2010, and it is anticipated that the purchase will be completed in 2010.

The holder of the Preferred Stock was entitled to receive an annual dividend of \$2.6 million, payable quarterly, until such stock was converted into common stock. Upon maturity of such stock, in general, the holder would have received up to 13,132,000 shares of common stock.

Angeliki Frangou, Chairman and CEO of Navios Holdings stated, "We are pleased with this transaction, as it shows our continued ability to transact with our commercial partners in a manner accretive to our stakeholders. We were able to provide the seller needed liquidity by purchasing our equity at an effective price of \$3.75 per share, which is about 27% below the current market price."

Ms. Frangou continued, "Through this transaction, we have reduced the number of shares outstanding as well as the \$2.6 million annual dividend obligation on the Preferred Stock. We continue to have ample liquidity to progress our business plans."

Update on Number of Shares of Fully Diluted Common Stock Outstanding

After the repurchase of the Preferred Stock and also giving effect to the previously announced repurchase of certain convertible promissory notes, the total number of shares of outstanding common stock, on a fully diluted basis, has been reduced by 12.6% or 16.2 million shares.

About Navios Maritime Holdings Inc.

Navios Maritime Holdings Inc. is a global, vertically integrated seaborne shipping and logistics company focused on the transport and transshipment of drybulk commodities including iron ore, coal and grain.

Navios Holdings may, from time to time, be required to offer certain owned Capesize and Panamax vessels to Navios Maritime Partners L.P. for purchase at fair market value according to the terms of the Omnibus Agreement.

For more information about Navios Holdings please visit its website: www.navios.com.

Forward Looking Statements — Safe Harbor

This press release contains forward-looking statements (as defined in Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended) concerning future events and Navios Holdings' growth strategy and measures to implement such strategy; including expected vessel acquisitions and entering into further time charters. Words such as "expects," "intends," "plans," "believes," "anticipates," "hopes," "estimates," and variations of such words and similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements. Such statements include comments regarding expected revenues and time charters. Although Navios Holdings believes that the expectations reflected in such forward-looking statements are reasonable, no assurance can be given that such expectations will prove to have been correct. These statements involve known and unknown risks and are based upon a number of assumptions and estimates which are inherently subject to significant uncertainties and contingencies, many of which are beyond the control of Navios Holdings. Actual results may differ materially from those expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements. Factors that could cause actual results to differ materially include, but are not limited to changes in the demand for dry bulk vessels, competitive factors in the market in which Navios Holdings operates; risks associated with operations outside the United States; and other factors listed from time to time in Navios Holdings' filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Navios Holdings expressly disclaims any obligations or undertaking to release publicly any updates or revisions to any forward-looking statements contained herein to reflect any change in Navios Holdings' expectations with respect thereto or any change in events, conditions or circumstances on which any statement is based.

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