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

# FORM 6-K

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

For the month of May 2011

# **COSTAMARE INC.**

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

60 Zephyrou Street & Syngrou Avenue 17564, Athens, Greece

(Address of principal executive office)
Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover of Form 20-F or Form 40-F.
Form 20-F ⊠ Form 40-F □
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Yes □ No ⊠
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# **EXHIBIT INDEX**

99.1 Press Release Dated May 17, 2011: Costamare Inc. Sets the Date for its First Quarter 2011 Results Release, Conference Call and Webcast.

## **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.

Date: May 17, 2011

# COSTAMARE INC.

By: /s/ Gregory G. Zikos

Name: Gregory G. Zikos

Title: Chief Financial Officer



# COSTAMARE INC. SETS THE DATE FOR ITS FIRST QUARTER 2011 RESULTS RELEASE, CONFERENCE CALL AND WEBCAST

Earnings Release: Monday, May 23, 2011, After Market Closes Conference Call and Webcast: Tuesday, May 24, 2011, at 8:30a.m. EDT

**ATHENS, GREECE** – **May 17, 2011** - Costamare Inc. (NYSE:CMRE), announced today that it will release its results for the first quarter ended March 31, 2011 after the market closes in New York on Monday, May 23, 2011. Following the earnings release, on the following day, Tuesday, May 24, 2011 at 8:30 a.m. EDT, Costamare's management team will hold a conference call to discuss the financial results.

#### **Conference Call details:**

Participants should dial into the call 10 minutes before the scheduled time using the following numbers: 1 (866) 819-7111 (from the US), 0(800) 953-0329 (from the UK) or +(44) (0) 1452 542 301 (from outside the US). Please quote "Costamare."

A replay of the conference call will be available until May 31, 2011. The United States replay number is 1 (866) 247-4222; from the UK 0(800) 953-1533; the standard international replay number is (+44) (0) 1452 550 000 and the access code required for the replay is: 25306424#

#### Live webcast:

There will also be a simultaneous live webcast over the Internet, through the Costamare Inc. website (www.costamare.com) under the "Investors" section. Participants to the live webcast should register on the website approximately 10 minutes prior to the start of the webcast.

#### **About Costamare Inc.**

Costamare Inc. is one of the world's leading owners and providers of containerships for charter. Costamare Inc. has 36 years of history in the international shipping industry and a fleet of 58 containerships, with a total capacity of approximately 320,000 TEU, including 10 newbuild containerships on order aggregating approximately 89,000 TEU. Costamare Inc.'s common shares trade on The New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "CMRE."

#### **Forward-Looking Statement**

This press release contains "forward-looking statements." In some cases, you can identify these statements by forward-looking words such as "believe", "intend", "anticipate", "estimate", "project", "forecast", "plan", "potential", "may", "should", "could" and "expect" and similar expressions. These statements are not historical facts but instead represent only Costamare's belief regarding future results, many of which, by their nature, are inherently uncertain and outside of Costamare's control. It is possible that actual results may differ, possibly materially, from those anticipated in these forward-looking statements. For a discussion of some of the risks and important factors that could affect future results, see the discussion in Costamare Inc.'s Annual Report on Form 20-F (File No. 001-34934) under the caption "Risk Factors."

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