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**DIANA CONTAINERSHIPS INC. ANNOUNCES
RECEIPT OF NASDAQ NOTICE**

ATHENS, GREECE, August 2, 2017 – Diana Containerships Inc. (NASDAQ: DCIX), (the “Company”), a global shipping company specializing in the ownership of containerships, today announced that it has received written notification from The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC (“Nasdaq”) dated July 31, 2017, indicating that the Company is no longer in compliance with the continued listing requirement under Nasdaq Listing Rule 5450(b)(1)(C) because the market value of publicly held shares (“MVPHS”) was below \$5,000,000 for 30 consecutive business days. Under Nasdaq rules, publicly held shares is defined as total shares outstanding, less any shares held directly or indirectly by officers, directors or any person who is the beneficial owner of more than 10% of the total shares outstanding of the Company.

Pursuant to Nasdaq Listing Rule 5810(c)(3)(D), the applicable grace period to regain compliance is 180 calendar days, or until January 29, 2018. The Company can cure this deficiency if the Company’s MVPHS closes at \$5,000,000 or more for at least ten consecutive business days during the grace period.

The Company intends to monitor its MVPHS during the prescribed grace period and is considering all options that will allow its common shares to remain listed on Nasdaq. During this time, the Company’s common shares will continue to be listed and trade on The Nasdaq Global Select Market. The Company’s business operations are not affected by the receipt of the notification.

About the Company

Diana Containerships Inc. is a global provider of shipping transportation services through its ownership of containerships. The Company’s vessels are employed primarily on time charters with leading liner companies carrying containerized cargo along worldwide shipping routes.

Cautionary Statement Regarding Forward-Looking Statements

Matters discussed in this press release may constitute forward-looking statements. The Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 provides safe harbor protections for forward-looking statements in order to encourage companies to provide prospective information about their

business. Forward-looking statements include statements concerning plans, objectives, goals, strategies, future events or performance, and underlying assumptions and other statements, which are other than statements of historical facts.

The Company desires to take advantage of the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 and is including this cautionary statement in connection with this safe harbor legislation. The words "believe," "anticipate," "intends," "estimate," "forecast," "project," "plan," "potential," "may," "should," "expect," "pending" and similar expressions identify forward-looking statements.

The forward-looking statements in this press release are based upon various assumptions, many of which are based, in turn, upon further assumptions, including without limitation, our management's examination of historical operating trends, data contained in our records and other data available from third parties. Although we believe that these assumptions were reasonable when made, because these assumptions are inherently subject to significant uncertainties and contingencies which are difficult or impossible to predict and are beyond our control, we cannot assure you that we will achieve or accomplish these expectations, beliefs or projections.

In addition to these important factors, other important factors that, in our view, could cause actual results to differ materially from those discussed in the forward-looking statements include the strength of world economies and currencies, general market conditions, including fluctuations in charter rates and vessel values, changes in demand for containership capacity, changes in our operating expenses, including bunker prices, drydocking and insurance costs, the market for our vessels, availability of financing and refinancing, changes in governmental rules and regulations or actions taken by regulatory authorities, potential liability from pending or future litigation, general domestic and international political conditions, potential disruption of shipping routes due to accidents or political events, vessel breakdowns and instances of off-hires and other factors. Please see our filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission for a more complete discussion of these and other risks and uncertainties.