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

Amendment No. 3 to

Form F-4

# REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

# CAPITAL PRODUCT PARTNERS L.P.

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its Charter)

## Capital Product Partners L.P.

(Translation of Registrant s name into English)

**Republic of the Marshall Islands** 

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

4412

(Primary Standard Industrial Classification Code Number) N/A

(I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

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(Address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of Registrant s principal executive offices)

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# Approximate date of commencement of proposed sale of the securities to the public: As soon as practicable after the effective date of this registration statement.

If this Form is filed to register additional securities for an offering pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act, check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering. o

If this Form is a post-effective amendment filed pursuant to Rule 462(d) under the Securities Act, check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering. o

# **CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE**

|                                   |                | Proposed<br>Maximum<br>Offering | Proposed<br>Maximum |              |
|-----------------------------------|----------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|--------------|
| Title of Each Class of Securities | Amount to be   | Price per                       | Aggregate           | Amount of    |
|                                   |                |                                 | Offering Price      | Registration |
| to be Registered                  | Registered (1) | Unit                            | (2)                 | Fee (3)      |
| CPLP common units                 | 13,899,400     | N/A                             | \$ 94,515,920       | \$ 10,973.30 |

- (1) Calculated based on the maximum number of shares of Crude common stock that the registrant currently expects to allocate to Crude shareholders resident in the United States in connection with the proposed merger described in this registration statement. The shares to be allocated in connection with the proposed merger outside the United States, which include all of the shares of Crude Class B Stock, are not registered under this registration statement.
- (2) Pursuant to Rules 457(f)(1) and 457(c) under the U.S. Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the Securities Act ) and solely for the purpose of calculating the registration fee, the proposed maximum aggregate offering price is equal to the aggregate market value of the approximate number of shares of Crude common stock and Crude Class B stock to be exchanged for CPLP common units in the proposed merger (calculated as set forth in note (1) above)

based upon a market value of \$6.80 per share of Crude common stock, the average of the high and low sale prices per share of Crude common stock on the New York Stock Exchange on August 10, 2011.

(3) Calculated at a rate equal to 0.0001161 multiplied by the proposed maximum aggregate offering price.

THE REGISTRANT HEREBY AMENDS THIS REGISTRATION STATEMENT ON SUCH DATE OR DATES AS MAY BE NECESSARY TO DELAY ITS EFFECTIVE DATE UNTIL THE REGISTRANT SHALL FILE AN AMENDMENT WHICH SPECIFICALLY STATES THAT THIS REGISTRATION STATEMENT SHALL THEREAFTER BECOME EFFECTIVE IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 8(A) OF THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE SECURITIES ACT), OR UNTIL THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE ON SUCH DATE AS THE COMMISSION, ACTING PURSUANT TO SAID SECTION 8(A), MAY DETERMINE.

# **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

This Amendment No. 3 to the Registration Statement on Form F-4 amends Exhibits 5.1, 8.1, and 8.2 to be dated as of the date hereof. There are no other changes to this Registration Statement from Amendment No. 2, which was filed with the SEC on August 5, 2011.

#### **PART II**

# INFORMATION NOT REQUIRED IN PROSPECTUS

## Item 20. Indemnification of Directors and Officers

CPLP is a Marshall Islands limited partnership. Under the MILPA, a partnership agreement may set forth that the partnership shall indemnify and hold harmless any partner or other person from and against any and all claims and demands whatsoever.

The CPLP Partnership Agreement provides that to the fullest extent permitted by law, but subject to the limitations expressly provided in the CPLP Partnership Agreement, the general partner, the CPLP Board and any other person the CPLP Board decides, shall be indemnified and held harmless by CPLP from and against any and all losses, claims, damages, liabilities, joint or several, expenses (including legal fees and expenses), judgments, fines, penalties, interest, settlements or other amounts arising from any and all claims, demands, actions, suits or proceedings, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative, in which such person may be involved, or is threatened to be involved, as a party or otherwise, provided, however, that such person shall not be indemnified and held harmless if there has been a final and non-appealable judgment entered by a court of competent jurisdiction determining that, in respect of the matter for which the person is seeking indemnification, the person acted in bad faith or engaged in fraud or willful misconduct or, in the case of a criminal matter, acted with knowledge that his or her conduct was unlawful; and, provided further, that indemnification shall be available to the general partner or its affiliates only for obligations incurred on behalf of CPLP.

Under the CPLP Partnership Agreement, each CPLP director is reimbursed for out-of-pocket expenses in connection with attending meetings of the CPLP Board or committees and is fully indemnified by CPLP for actions associated with being a director to the fullest extent permitted under Marshall Islands law, provided that indemnification is not available where there has been a final, non-appealable judgment entered by a court of competent jurisdiction that the director acted in bad faith or engaged in fraud or willful misconduct.

Crude is a Marshall Islands corporation. The MIBCA provides that Marshall Islands corporations may indemnify any of their directors or officers who are or are threatened to be a party to any legal action resulting from fulfilling their duties to the corporation against reasonable expenses, judgments and fees (including attorneys fees) incurred in connection with such action if the director or officer acted in good faith and in a manner he reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the corporation, and, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, had no reasonable cause to believe his conduct was unlawful. The termination of any action, suit or proceeding by judgment, order, settlement, conviction, or upon a plea of no contest, or its equivalent, will not create a presumption that the person did not act in good faith and in a manner which he reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the corporation, and, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, had reasonable cause to believe his conduct was unlawful. However, no indemnification will be permitted in cases where it is determined that the director or officer was liable for negligence or misconduct in the performance of his duty to the corporation, unless the court in which such action was brought determines that the person is fairly and reasonably entitled to indemnity, and then only for the expenses that the court deems proper. A corporation is permitted to advance payment for expenses occurred in defense of an action if its board of directors decides to do so. In addition, Marshall Islands corporations may purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of any person who is or was a director or officer of the corporation against any liability asserted against him and incurred by him in such capacity whether or not the corporation would have the power to indemnify him against such liability under the provisions of the MIBCA.

Crude s amended and restated articles of incorporation and bylaws will provide that it will indemnify Crude s directors and officers to the fullest extent permitted under the MIBCA.

CPLP and Crude currently maintain directors and officers insurance for their directors and officers as well as officers and directors of certain subsidiaries.

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#### Item 21. Exhibits and Financial Statement Schedules

#### Exhibit No.

## **Description of Document**

- 5.1 Opinion of Watson, Farley & Williams (New York) LLP as to the legality of the units being registered.
- 8.1 Tax Opinion of Sullivan & Cromwell LLP.
- 8.2 Tax Opinion of Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP.

# Item 22. Undertakings

- (a) CPLP, the undersigned Registrant, hereby undertakes as follows:
- 1. To file, during any period in which offers or sales are being made, a post-effective amendment to this registration statement:
- i. to include any prospectus required by section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act;
- ii. to reflect in the prospectus any facts or events arising after the effective date of the registration statement (or the most recent post-effective amendment thereof) which, individually or in the aggregate, represent a fundamental change in the information in the registration statement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any increase or decrease in volume of securities offered (if the total dollar value of securities offered would not exceed that which was registered) and any deviation from the low or high end of the estimated maximum offering range may be reflected in the form of prospectus filed with the Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) if, in aggregate, the changes in volume and price represent no more than a 20% change in the maximum aggregate offering price set forth in the Calculation of Registration Fee table in the effective registration statement;
- iii. to include any material information with respect to the plan of distribution not previously disclosed in the registration statement or any material change to such information in the registration statement; provided, however, that paragraphs (a)(1)(i) and (a)(1)(ii) of this section do not apply if the registration statement is on Form S-3, Form S-8 or Form F-3 and the information required to be included in a post- effective amendment by those paragraphs is contained in periodic reports filed with or furnished to the Commission by the registrant pursuant to section 13 or section 15(d) of the Exchange Act that are incorporated by reference into the registration statement.
- 2. That, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act, each such post-effective amendment shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.
- 3. To remove from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the securities being registered which remain unsold at the termination of the offering.
- 4. To file a post-effective amendment to the registration statement to include any financial statements required by Item 8.A. of Form 20-F at the start of any delayed offering or throughout a continuous offering. Financial statements and information otherwise required by Section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act need not be furnished, provided that the registrant includes in the prospectus, by means of a post-effective amendment, financial statements required pursuant to this paragraph (a)(4) and other information necessary to ensure that all other information in the prospectus is at least as current as the date of those financial statements.

(b) The undersigned Registrant hereby undertakes as follows: that prior to any public reoffering of the securities registered hereunder through use of a prospectus which is a part of this registration statement, by any person or party who is deemed to be an underwriter within the meaning of Rule 145(c), the issuer undertakes that such reoffering prospectus will contain the information called for by the applicable registration form with respect to reoffering by persons who may be deemed underwriters, in addition to the information called for by the other items of the applicable form.

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- (c) The Registrant undertakes that every prospectus (i) that is filed pursuant to the immediately preceding paragraph, or (ii) that purports to meet the requirements of Section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act and is used in connection with an offering of securities subject to Rule 415, will be filed as a part of an amendment to the registration statement and will not be used until such amendment is effective, and that, for purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act, each such post-effective amendment shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.
- (d) The undersigned Registrant hereby undertakes (i) to respond to requests for information that is incorporated by reference into the prospectus pursuant to Items 4, 10(b), 11 or 13 of this Form, within one business day of receipt of such request, and to send the incorporated documents by first class mail or other equally prompt means and (ii) to arrange or provide for a facility in the U.S. for the purpose of responding to such requests. This includes information contained in documents filed subsequent to the effective date of the registration statement through the date of responding to the request.
- (e) The undersigned Registrant hereby undertakes to supply by means of a post-effective amendment all information concerning a transaction, and the company being acquired involved therein, that was not the subject of and included in the registration statement when it became effective.
- (f) Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the Registrant pursuant to the foregoing provisions, or otherwise, the Registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the SEC such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the Registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer of controlling person of the Registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, the Registrant will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

## **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act, the registrant has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in Piraeus, Greece, on August 11, 2011.

CAPITAL PRODUCT PARTNERS L.P.

By: Capital GP L.L.C., its general partner

By: /s/ Ioannis E. Lazaridis

Name: Ioannis E. Lazaridis

Title: Chief Executive Officer and Chief

Financial Officer of Capital GP

L.L.C.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act, this registration statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

| Signature                  | Title   | Date            |  |
|----------------------------|---|-----------------|--|
| /s/ Evangelos M. Marinakis | Chairman of the Board of                                  | August 11, 2011 |  |
| Evangelos M. Marinakis     | Directors of CPLP   | -               |  |
| /s/ Ioannis E. Lazaridis   | Chief Executive Officer and<br>Chief Financial Officer of | August 11, 2011 |  |
| Ioannis E. Lazaridis       | Capital GP L.L.C.   |                 |  |
| /s/ Donald J. Puglisi      | U.S. Representative                                       | August 11, 2011 |  |
| Donald J. Puglisi          |   |                 |  |

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