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UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13D

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

(Amendment No. 1)*

Seaspan Corporation

(Name of Issuer)

Common Shares, par value \$0.01

(Title of Class of Securities)

Y75638109

(CUSIP Number)

Graham Porter

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Georgetown, Grand Cayman

Cayman Islands

(Name, Address and Telephone Number of Person Authorized to Receive Notices and Communications)

January 30, 2009

(Date of Event which Requires Filing of this Statement)

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1 Name of Reporting Person

TIGER CONTAINER SHIPPING COMPANY LIMITED

I.R.S. Identification No. of Above Person (Entities Only)

N/A

2 Check the appropriate box if a member of a group

(a):

(b):

3 SEC use only

4 Source of Funds

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5 Check if Disclosure of Legal Proceedings is Required Pursuant to Items 2(d) or 2(e)

6 Citizenship or Place of Organization

CAYMAN ISLANDS

Number of 7 Sole Voting Power

Shares

Beneficially **3,306,249**

Owned by 8 Shared Voting Power

Each

Reporting **0**
 9 Sole Dispositive Power

Person

With **3,306,249**
10 Shared Dispositive Power

0
11 Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by each Reporting Person

3,306,249
12 Check if the Aggregate Amount in Row (11) Excludes Certain Shares

13 Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (11)

4.9%
14 Type of Reporting Person

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This Amendment No. 1 (the Amendment) to the Schedule 13D filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on August 12, 2005 (the Schedule 13D) is being filed on behalf of the undersigned Reporting Person to amend the Schedule 13D as set forth below. Unless otherwise indicated, all capitalized terms used in this Amendment but not defined herein shall have the same meanings as set forth in the Schedule 13D.

Item 1. Security and Issuer.

Item 1 is hereby amended by deleting the text thereof in its entirety and replacing it with the following:

This statement on Schedule 13D (this Schedule 13D) relates to the class A common shares (the Common Shares) of the Seaspan Corporation, a Marshall Islands company (the Issuer). The principal executive offices of the Issuer are located at Unit 2, 7th Floor, Bupa Center, 141 Connaught Road West, Hong Kong, China. The total number of Common Shares reported as beneficially owned in this Schedule 13D is 3,306,249, which constitutes approximately 4.9% of the total number of Common Shares outstanding. The Reporting Person previously owned 2,381,429 Class B Shares that were convertible on a one-to-one basis into Common Shares. All of the Class B Shares of the Issuer have converted into Common Shares. The beneficial ownership reported in this Schedule 13D assumes that as of the date of this filing, there were 67,168,559 Common Shares outstanding based on information provided by the Issuer's transfer agent.

Item 3. Source and Amount of Funds or Other Consideration.

Item 3 is hereby amended by adding the following at the conclusion thereof:

Preferred Share Purchase Agreement. On January 22, 2009, the Issuer entered into a preferred stock purchase agreement (the Preferred Share Purchase Agreement) to issue and sell shares of 12% Cumulative Preferred Shares Series A, par value \$0.01 per share (the Preferred Shares), to the Reporting Person and certain other named investors (collectively with the Reporting Person, the Investors), for \$200 million (the Preferred Share Acquisition). Under the Preferred Share Purchase Agreement, the Preferred Shares are to be issued in two equal tranches of \$100 million. The first tranche closed on January 30, 2009 (the First Preferred Share Closing). The second tranche of \$100 million aggregate amount of the Preferred Shares is expected to close in the fourth quarter of 2009, subject to closing conditions provided in the Preferred Share Purchase Agreement (the Second Preferred Share Closing). The Reporting Person purchased \$10 million of the Preferred Shares on January 30, 2009 and, as described above, expects to purchase another \$10 million of Preferred Shares on the date of the Second Preferred Share Closing. The various contracts and arrangements entered into in connection with the Preferred Share Acquisition are described in Item 6 Below.

The Reporting Person funded the purchase of the first tranche and expects to fund the purchase of the second tranche of the Preferred Share Acquisition with funds of Tiger.

Item 4. Purpose of Transaction.

Item 4 is hereby amended by deleting the text thereof in its entirety and replacing it with the following:

The Reporting Person entered into the Acquisition and the Preferred Share Acquisition for investment purposes. The following describes plans or proposals, including those in connection with the Acquisition and the Preferred Share Acquisition, that the Reporting Person may have with respect to the matters set forth in Item 4(a)-(j) of Schedule 13D:

(a) Pursuant to the Registration Rights Agreement between, inter alia, the Issuer and the Reporting Person, the Issuer has granted the Reporting Person, its affiliates and certain of its transferees, the right, under certain circumstances and subject to certain restrictions, to require the Issuer to register on a shelf registration statement under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the Securities Act) and applicable state securities laws, resales of Common Shares held by it.

Pursuant to a registration rights agreement between, the Issuer and the Investors in respect of the Preferred Shares and the underlying Common Shares (the Preferred Share Registration Rights Agreement), the Issuer has granted the Reporting Person, its affiliates and certain of its transferees, the right, under certain circumstances and subject to certain restrictions, to require the Issuer to register on a registration statement under the Securities Act and applicable state securities laws, resales of Common Shares held by it upon the conversion of the Preferred Shares.

The Reporting Person has acquired, and may in the future determine to acquire, Common Shares in the open market, in privately negotiated transactions (which may be with the Issuer or with third parties) or otherwise from time to time, which shares are acquired and held for investment purposes.

The Reporting Person is also enrolled in the Issuer's dividend reinvestment plan (the DRIP) and currently elects to reinvest a portion of the dividends that he receives in respect of the Common Shares owned by him in additional Common Shares. For more information, please see Section (c) of Item 5. Common Shares purchased through participation in the DRIP are acquired and held for investment purposes.

(b) None.

(c) None.

(d) Pursuant to the statement of designation creating the Preferred Shares and establishing the designations, preferences and other rights of the Preferred Shares (the Statement of Designation), the holders of the Preferred Shares, voting as a single class are entitled to elect either one or two additional members of the board of directors of the Issuer (the Board) (the Preferred Share Directors), at least one of whom shall satisfy the independence requirements of the New York Stock Exchange and the Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC) and at least one of whom shall be a non-United States citizen or resident for purposes of satisfying the definition of foreign private issuer as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act. Currently, the Board consists of eight members. If the holders of the Preferred Shares chose to elect Preferred Share

Directors, the number of members of the Board shall be increased by the number of Preferred Share Directors elected. The Statement of Designation and the preferences and other rights of the Preferred Shares are described more fully in Item 6 below.

(e) None.

(f) None.

(g) The Statement of Designation, which was filed with the Registrar of Corporations of the Republic of the Marshall Islands on January 29, 2009 in connection with the Preferred Share Acquisition acts as an amendment of the articles of incorporation of the Issuer under the laws of the Republic of the Marshall Islands (the RMI).

The Statement of Designation grants the holders of the Preferred Shares the power to vote as a single class to approve certain major corporate changes, including any merger, consolidation, asset sale or other disposition of all or substantially all of the Issuer's assets. The holders of the Preferred Shares could exercise this power to block a change of the Issuer.

(h) None.

(i) None.

(j) Except as described in this Item 4, the Reporting Person does not have, as of the date of this Schedule 13D, any plans or proposals that relate to or would result in any of the actions or events specified in clauses (a) through (i) of this Item 4. The Reporting Person may change its plans or proposals in the future. In determining from time to time whether to sell the Common Shares reported as beneficially owned in this Schedule 13D (and in what amounts) or to retain such securities, the Reporting Person will take into consideration such factors as it deems relevant, including the business and prospects of the Issuer, anticipated future developments concerning the Issuer, existing and anticipated market conditions from time to time, general economic conditions, regulatory matters, and other opportunities available to the Reporting Person. The Reporting Person reserves the right to acquire additional securities of the Issuer in the open market, in privately negotiated transactions (which may be with the Issuer or with third parties) or otherwise, to dispose of all or a portion of their holdings of securities of the Issuer or to change their intention with respect to any or all of the matters referred to in this Item 4.

Item 5. Interest in Securities of the Issuer.

Item 5 is hereby amended by deleting the text thereof in its entirety and replacing it with the following:

(a)-(b) Tiger is the sole record owner of, and has the sole power to vote and dispose of 3,306,249 Common Shares, representing 4.9% of the Common Shares.

(c) On December 23, 2008, the Reporting Person acquired 173,410 Common Shares through participation in the DRIP at a purchase price of approximately \$8.89 per share. On February 16, 2009, the Reporting Person acquired 115,083.951 Common Shares through participation in the DRIP at a purchase price of approximately \$10.54 per share. Except as reported in this Item 5, the Reporting Person did not acquire or dispose of any Common Shares in the 60 days preceding the date of this Schedule 13D. Shares acquired through the DRIP were acquired directly from the Issuer. The Issuer filed a registration statement on Form F-3D (the Form F-3D) covering the sale of Common Shares under the DRIP with the SEC on May 30, 2008). The Form F-3D contains more information on the administration of the DRIP.

(d) None.

(e) The Reporting Person ceased to be the beneficial owner of more than five percent of the Common Shares on May 5, 2008.

Item 6. Contracts, Arrangements, Understandings or Relationships With Respect to Securities of the Issuer.

Item 6 is hereby amended by deleting the text thereof in its entirety and replacing it with the following:

Preferred Share Purchase Agreement. On January 22, 2009, in connection with the Preferred Share Acquisition, the Issuer entered into the Preferred Share Purchase Agreement (as such terms are defined in Item 3 above). Under the Preferred Share Purchase Agreement, the Preferred Shares are to be issued in two equal tranches of \$100 million. The first tranche closed on January 30, 2009. The second tranche of \$100 million aggregate amount of the Preferred Shares is expected to close in the fourth quarter of 2009, subject to closing conditions provided in the Preferred Share Purchase Agreement. The Reporting Person purchased \$10 million of the Preferred Shares on January 30, 2009 and, as described above, expects to purchase another \$10 million of Preferred Shares in the fourth quarter of 2009.

Statement of Designation. In connection with the Preferred Share Closing of the transactions contemplated by the Preferred Share Purchase Agreement, on January 29, 2009, the Issuer filed the Statement of Designation with the Registrar of Corporations of the RMI. The Statement of Designation sets the initial liquidation preference of the Preferred Shares at \$1,000 per share, subject to adjustment. No dividend will be payable in respect of the Preferred Shares for the initial five-year period. Instead, the liquidation preference of the Preferred Shares will increase at a rate of 12% per annum until January 31, 2014, compounded quarterly. The Preferred Shares will automatically convert into Common Shares at a conversion price of \$15.00 at any time on or after January 31, 2014 if the average closing price of the trailing 30-trading days of the Common Shares is equal to or greater than \$15.00. If at any time on or after January 31, 2014 the average closing price over the trailing 30 trading days of the Common Shares is less than \$15.00, the Issuer has the option to convert the Preferred Shares at a conversion price of \$15.00 and pay the Investors 115% of the difference between the conversion price and the average closing price of the trailing 30 trading days of the Common Shares,

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payable in cash or Common Shares at the Issuer's option. If on January 31, 2014 the Preferred Shares have not converted to Common Shares, the liquidation preference of the Preferred Shares will increase to a rate of 15% per annum, compounded quarterly, payable in cash or by continuing to increase the liquidation value of the Preferred Shares at the holder's option.

Upon any liquidation or dissolution of the Issuer, holders of the Preferred Shares will generally be entitled to receive the cash value of the liquidation preference of the Preferred Shares after satisfaction of all liabilities to the Issuer's creditors but before any distribution is made to or set aside for the holders of junior stock, including the Common Shares.

In general, the holders of the Preferred Shares will be entitled to vote together with the holders of the Common Shares on an as-converted basis on any matter submitted for a vote of Common Shares. In addition, the holders of the Preferred Shares, voting as a separate class, will have the right to approve any future issuance of senior or parity stock (except that the Issuer may freely issue additional Preferred Shares up to an aggregate amount of \$115 million), any redemption of the Issuer's capital stock, any amendment of the Issuer's articles of incorporation, bylaws or the Statement of Designation or any share exchange, reclassification, merger, consolidation, liquidation, dissolution, asset sale or other disposition of all or substantially all of the assets of the Issuer. In addition, subject to certain exceptions, the holders of the Preferred Shares have preemptive rights to prevent dilution and the right to elect up to two members of the Issuer's board of directors.

Preferred Share Registration Rights Agreement. In addition, on January 30, 2009, as contemplated by the Preferred Share Purchase Agreement, the Issuer and the Investors entered into the Preferred Share Registration Rights Agreement, pursuant to which, in certain circumstances, the Holders of the Preferred Shares can demand that the Issuer file a registration statement covering the potential sale of the Common Shares that are issuable upon the conversion of the Preferred Shares unless the sum of the common shares held by such holder as a result of the conversion can be sold in a single transaction under Rule 144 of the Securities Act. These holders also have certain piggyback registration rights allowing them to participate in offerings by the Issuer to the extent that their participation does not interfere with or impede such offering. Under the Preferred Share Registration Rights Agreement, the Issuer is obligated to pay all expenses incidental to the registration, excluding underwriting discounts or commissions.

Amendment to the Rights Agreement. Pursuant to the Preferred Share Purchase Agreement, on January 30, 2009, the Issuer entered into an amendment to its shareholders rights agreement (the Amendment to the Rights Agreement) in order to exempt from the shareholders rights agreement the Investors as to the transactions contemplated by the Preferred Share Purchase Agreement and any conversion of the Preferred Shares into Common Shares. The Amendment to the Rights Agreement was executed by the Issuer and the American Stock Transfer & Trust Company, LLC as rights agent.

The descriptions of the Statement of Designation, the Preferred Share Purchase Agreement, the Amendment to the Rights Agreement and the Preferred Share Registration Rights Agreement are qualified in their entirety by reference to the agreements themselves, which have been filed with the SEC as Exhibits 3.1, 10.1, 10.2 and 10.3, respectively, to the report of the Issuer on Form 6-K filed on February 2, 2009 and are incorporated herein by reference.

Item 7. Material to be filed as Exhibits.

The Statement of Designation, the Preferred Share Purchase Agreement, the Amendment to the Rights Agreement and the Registration Rights Agreement, referenced in Items 3, 4 and 6 above, are incorporated by reference herein and have been filed as Exhibits 3.1, 10.1, 10.2 and 10.3, respectively, to the report of the Issuer on Form 6-K filed on February 2, 2009.

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SIGNATURES

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Date: February 19, 2009

**TIGER CONTAINER SHIPPING COMPANY
LIMITED**

By: /s/ Graham Porter
Name: Graham Porter
Title: Authorized Person