

Dill C. Jerome
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Dill C. Jerome

(Last) (First) (Middle)

48 PAR-LA-VILLE ROAD, SUITE 1790

(Street)

HAMILTON, D0 HM11

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 VALIDUS HOLDINGS LTD [VR]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 05/11/2011

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)

EVP and General Counsel

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount or Price		
Common Stock	05/11/2011		A		104,000 A \$ 22	D	
Common Stock	05/11/2011		A		3,647 A \$ 21.15	D	
Common Stock	05/11/2011		D		107,647 D \$ 32.83 (1)	D	
Common Stock	05/11/2011		D		31,819 D \$ 33.09 (2)	D	

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount Number of Shares
Options	\$ 22	05/11/2011		M	104,000	04/01/2008 04/01/2017	Common Shares 104,000
Options	\$ 21.15	05/11/2011		M	3,647	05/07/2009 05/07/2018	Common Shares 3,647

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Dill C. Jerome 48 PAR-LA-VILLE ROAD SUITE 1790 HAMILTON, D0 HM11			EVP and General Counsel	

Signatures

/s/ C. Jerome
Dill 05/13/2011

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) These shares of common stock were sold at prices between \$32.44 and \$33.18. The reporting person will provide upon request by the SEC staff, the Issuer, or any security holder of the Issuer full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- (2) These shares of common stock were sold at prices between \$33.08 and \$33.11. The reporting person will provide upon request by the SEC staff, the Issuer, or any security holder of the Issuer full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.

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