Ramey Thomas C. Form 4 January 18, 2012

FORM 4

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

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

(City)

1.Title of

Security

(Instr. 3)

Common

Shares

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Ramey Thomas C.

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O AXIS CAPITAL HOLDINGS LIMITED, 92 PITTS BAY ROAD

(Street)

(State)

01/17/2012

PEMBROKE, D0 HM 08

(Zip)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

AXIS CAPITAL HOLDINGS LTD [AXS]

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

01/17/2012

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or

Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

(A)

or Code V Amount Price (D)

A 3,208 Α (1) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Officer (give title

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Issuer

below)

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

5. Amount of

Securities

Owned

Beneficially

Following

Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

Reported

9,560

X_ Director

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Beneficial Ownership Indirect (I)

10% Owner

Other (specify

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Number:

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Estimated average

burden hours per

(Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

D

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

(Month/Day/Year)

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

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)			ate	7. Title Amoun Under	nt of lying ities	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene
	Derivative Security				Securities Acquired			(Instr.	3 and 4)		Owne Follo
					(A) or Disposed						Repo Trans
					of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)						(Instr
					4, and 3)				Amount		
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	or Number of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
. 9	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Ramey Thomas C. C/O AXIS CAPITAL HOLDINGS LIMITED 92 PITTS BAY ROAD PEMBROKE, D0 HM 08	X						

Signatures

Richard T. Gieryn, Jr.,
Attorney-in-Fact
01/18/2012

**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) Common Shares issued as directors' fees using January 17, 2012 closing price of \$31.17.

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