

Porter Robert S
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FORM 4

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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 *
Porter Robert S

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
PLATINUM UNDERWRITERS HOLDINGS LTD [PTP]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
THE BELVEDERE BUILDING, 69
PITTS BAY ROAD, 2ND FLOOR
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
07/23/2010

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
CEO - Platinum Bermuda

PEMBROKE, D0 HM 08

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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(City) (State) (Zip)

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | | |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--------|---|--|---|------------|-------|
| | | | | Code | V | Amount | | | | (A) or (D) | Price |
| Common Shares | 07/23/2010 | | M | | | 50,000 | A | \$ 22.5 | 177,256 | D | |
| Common Shares | 07/23/2010 | | S | | | 50,000 | D | \$ 39.5398 | 127,256 | D | |

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

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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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|
| Non-qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 22.5 | 07/23/2010 | | M | 50,000 | (2) 10/31/2012 | Common Shares | 50,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Porter Robert S THE BELVEDERE BUILDING 69 PITTS BAY ROAD, 2ND FLOOR PEMBROKE, D0 HM 08 | | | CEO - Platinum Bermuda | |

Signatures

/s/ Michael E. Lombardozzi, Attorney in Fact
 Date: 07/26/2010
 **Signature of Reporting Person

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).
- This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$39.42 to \$39.58. The price reported above reflects the weighted average sales price. The reporting person hereby undertakes, upon request of the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer, to provide full information regarding the number of shares purchased at each separate price.
- (2) The option vested in four equal annual installments beginning on November 1, 2003.

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