

Sangster Jeffrey
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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section
30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Â Sangster Jeffrey
(Last) (First) (Middle)

2. Date of Event Requiring Statement

(Month/Day/Year)
05/07/2012

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

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

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

(Check all applicable)

C/O VALIDUS
HOLDINGS,Â 29 RICHMOND
RD

(Street)

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
__X__ Officer ____ Other
(give title below) (specify below)
Chief Accounting Officer

PEMBROKE,Â D0Â HM08

(City) (State) (Zip)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
__X__ Form filed by One Reporting Person
____ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security
(Instr. 4)

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned
(Instr. 4)

3. Ownership Form:
Direct (D)
or Indirect (I)
(Instr. 5)

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
(Instr. 5)

Common Stock

44,277

D Â

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

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

1. Title of Derivative Security
(Instr. 4)

2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date
(Month/Day/Year)

3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security
(Instr. 4)

4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative

5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security:

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
(Instr. 5)

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Options	Â ⁽¹⁾	10/16/2016	Common Shares	16,442	\$ 19.18	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Sangster Jeffrey C/O VALIDUS HOLDINGS 29 RICHMOND RD PEMBROKE,Â D0Â HM08	Â	Â	Â Chief Accounting Officer	Â

Signatures

/s/ Jeffrey Sangster 05/10/2012

 Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(b)(v).

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(1) These options are exercisable at any time prior to their expiration date

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