

BERKOWITZ BRUCE R  
Form 3  
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**FORM 3 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,  
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 \*  
FAIRHOLME CAPITAL  
MANAGEMENT LLC

2. Date of Event Requiring Statement  
(Month/Day/Year)  
10/20/2008

3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
UNITED RENTALS INC /DE [URI]

(Last) (First) (Middle)

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

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

4400 BISCAYNE  
BOULEVARD, 9TH FLOOR

(Check all applicable)

(Street)

\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_X\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_\_ Officer \_\_\_ Other  
(give title below) (specify below)

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

MIAMI, FL 33137

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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	8,291,818 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	FAIRHOLME CAPITAL MANAGEMENT LLC
Common Stock	8,291,818 <sup>(2)</sup>	I	By Fairholme Funds, Inc.
Common Stock	2,890,029 <sup>(3)</sup>	I	Footnote <sup>(3)</sup>

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)**

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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 Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
FAIRHOLME CAPITAL MANAGEMENT LLC 4400 BISCAYNE BOULEVARD 9TH FLOOR MIAMI, FL 33137	^	^ X	^	^
FAIRHOLME FUNDS INC 4400 BISCAYNE BOULEVARD 9TH FLOOR MIAMI, FL 33137	^	^ X	^	^
BERKOWITZ BRUCE R 4400 BISCAYNE BOULEVARD 9TH FLOOR MIAMI, FL 33137	^	^ X	^	^

## Signatures

Fairholme Capital Management, L.L.C. (+), By: /s/ Bruce R. Berkowitz, Managing Member	10/20/2008
__Signature of Reporting Person	Date
Fairholme Funds, Inc. (+), By: /s/ Bruce R. Berkowitz, President	10/20/2008
__Signature of Reporting Person	Date
/s/ Bruce R. Berkowitz (+)	10/20/2008
__Signature of Reporting Person	Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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 securities are owned by Fairholme Funds, Inc., which is a Reporting Person.
  - (2) These securities may be deemed to be beneficially owned by Fairholme Capital Management, L.L.C., the investment manager of Fairholme Funds, Inc., and Bruce Berkowitz, the managing member of Fairholme Capital Management, L.L.C.  
These securities may be deemed to be beneficially owned by Fairholme Capital Management, L.L.C., the general partner, managing member, investment manager or investment adviser to certain investment funds, both registered and unregistered, and separately managed accounts that own these reported securities, and Bruce Berkowitz, the managing member of Fairholme Capital Management, L.L.C.
  - (3)

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**Remarks:**

(+) Each such Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of the reported securities except to the extent of a pecuniary interest, if any, therein, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that such Reporting Person is a beneficial owner of the securities for purposes of Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 for any other purpose.

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