VALIDUS HOLDINGS LTD

Form 4

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FORM 4

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

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

GOLDMAN SACHS GROUP INC/			Symbol VALIDUS HOLDINGS LTD [VR]				C	Issuer (Check all applicable)				
(Last) (First) (Middle) 85 BROAD ST,			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/16/2007					(Check all applicable) Director X 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below)				
NEW YOR	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) Form filed by One Reporting Person _X_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned												
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction D (Month/Day/Yea	r) Execution	med on Date, if Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3,	ispose 4 and (A) or	ed of (D)	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)		
Common Shares	08/16/2007			P	100	A	\$ 21.61	14,057,237	I	See footnotes (1) (2) (3) (4) (5) (6) (7) (8) (9)		
Common Shares	08/16/2007			S	100	D	\$ 21.61	14,057,137	I	See footnotes (1) (2) (3) (4) (5) (6) (7) (8) (9)		

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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4. 5.		6. Date Exercisable and		7. Title and Amount of		
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	onNumber	Expiration Date		Underlying Securities		
Security	or Exercise		any	Code of (Instr. 8) Derivative		(Month/Day/Year)		(Instr. 3 and 4)		
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)			e				
	Derivative				Securities					
	Security				Acquired					
	-				(A) or					
					Disposed					
					of (D)					
					(Instr. 3,					
					4, and 5)					
						Date	Expiration		Amount or	
						Exercisable	Date	Title	Number of	
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares	
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purchase	\$ 17.5					(10)	12/12/2015	Shares	1,604,410.1	
Common								Silares		
Shares										
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
GOLDMAN SACHS GROUP INC/ 85 BROAD ST NEW YORK, NY 10004		X				
GOLDMAN SACHS & CO 85 BROAD STREET NEW YORK, NY 10004		X				
GSCP V AIV, L.P. 85 BROAD STREET 10TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10004		X				
GS Capital Partners V Employee Fund, L.P. 85 BROAD STREET 10TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10004		X				
GS CAPITAL PARTNERS V OFFSHORE FUND LP 85 BROAD STREET		X				

Reporting Owners 2

NEW YORK, NY 10004

GS CAPITAL PARTNERS V GmbH & CO KG

85 BROAD STREET X

NEW YORK, NY 10004

GSCP V Institutional AIV, L.P.

85 BROAD STREET 10TH FLOOR

NEW YORK, NY 10004

GS Private Equity Partners 1999, L.P.

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GS Private Equity Partners 1999 Offshore, L.P.

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GS Private Equity Partners 1999 - Direct Investment Fund, L.P.

85 BROAD STREET 10TH FLOOR

NEW YORK, NY 10004

Signatures

/s/ Andrea DeMar, Attorney-in-fact 08/21/2007

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

/s/ Andrea DeMar, 08/21/2007

Attorney-in-fact 00/21/25

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/s/ Andrea DeMar, Attorney-in-fact 08/21/2007

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/s/ Andrea DeMar,
Attorney-in-fact
08/21/2007

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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).

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- (1) Institutional"), GS Private Equity Partners 1999, L.P. ("PEP 1999"), GS Private Equity Partners 1999 Offshore, L.P. ("PEP 1999 Offshore"), GS Private Equity Partners 1999 Direct Investment Fund, L.P. ("PEP 1999 Direct"), GS Private Equity Partners 2000, L.P. ("PEP 2000"), GS Private Equity Partners 2000 Offshore Holdings, L.P. ("PEP 2000 Offshore") and GS Private Equity Partners 2000 Direct Investment Fund, L.P. ("PEP 2000 Direct" and, (continued in next footnote)
 - together with GSCP V AIV, GSCP V Employee, GSCP V Offshore, GSCP V Germany, GSCP V Institutional, PEP 1999, PEP 1999 Offshore, PEP 1999 Direct, PEP 2000 and PEP 2000 Offshore, (the "Limited Partnerships"), GS Advisors V AIV, Ltd. ("GS Advisors V AIV"), GS Capital Partners V Employee Funds GP, L.L.C. ("GSCP V Employee GP"), GS Advisors V, L.L.C. ("GS Advisors V"),
- (2) Goldman, Sachs Management GP GmbH ("GS Germany GP"), GS PEP 1999 Advisors, L.L.C. ("PEP 1999 GP"), GS PEP 1999 Offshore Advisors, Inc. ("PEP 1999 Offshore GP"), GS PEP 1999 Direct Investment Advisors, L.L.C. ("PEP 1999 Direct GP"), GS PEP 2000 Advisors, L.L.C. ("PEP 2000 GP"), GS PEP 2000 Offshore Holdings Advisors, Inc., ("PEP 2000 Offshore GP") and GS PEP 2000 Direct Investment Advisors, L.L.C. (continued in next footnote)
- ("PEP 2000 Direct GP" and, together with the Limited Partnerships, GS Group, Goldman Sachs, GS Advisors V AIV, GSCP V Employee GP, GS Advisors V, GS Germany GP, PEP 1999 GP, PEP 1999 Offshore GP, PEP 1999 Direct GP, PEP 2000 GP and PEP 2000 Offshore GP, the "Reporting Persons").
- (4) Due to the electronic system's limitation of 10 Reporting Persons per joint filing, this statement is being filed in triplicate.
- The securities reported herein as indirectly purchased and sold were beneficially owned directly by Goldman Sachs. Without admitting any legal obligation, Goldman Sachs or an affiliate will remit appropriate profits to Validus Holdings, Ltd. (the "Company"). The Reporting Persons, other than GS Group, disclaim beneficial ownership of the shares beneficially owned directly by Goldman Sachs.
 - Goldman Sachs and GS Group may be deemed to beneficially own indirectly, in the aggregate, 14,057,137 of the Company's common shares, par value \$ 0.175 per share (the "Common Shares"), and 1,604,410.1 warrants to purchase Common Shares ("Warrants") through the Limited Partnerships, of which affiliates of Goldman Sachs and GS Group are the general partner, managing general partner or
- (6) managing limited partner. Goldman Sachs is a wholly-owned subsidiary of GS Group. Goldman Sachs is the investment manager of certain of the Limited Partnerships. GS Group, Goldman Sachs and the Limited Partnerships share voting power and investment power with certain of their respective affiliates. Each of Goldman Sachs and GS Group disclaims beneficial ownership of the securities reported herein, except to the extent of its pecuniary interest therein, if any.
- (7)
 4,798,022 Common Shares and 638,459.4 Warrants. GSCP V Employee beneficially owns directly and its general partner, GSCP V Employee GP, may be deemed to beneficially own indirectly 1,550,787 Common Shares and 206,358.9 Warrants. GSCP V Offshore beneficially owns directly and its general partner, GS Advisors V, may be deemed to beneficially own indirectly 3,279,530 Common Shares and 436,397.9 Warrants. GSCP V Germany beneficially owns directly and its general partner, GS Germany GP, may be deemed to beneficially own indirectly 251,708 Common Shares and 33,494.2 Warrants.

GSCP V AIV beneficially owns directly and its general partner, GS Advisors V AIV, may be deemed to beneficially own indirectly

(8) GSCP V Institutional beneficially owns directly and its general partner, GS Advisors V AIV, may be deemed to beneficially own indirectly 2,177,093 Common Shares and 289,699.7 Warrants. PEP 1999 beneficially owns directly and its general partner, PEP 1999 GP, may be deemed to beneficially own indirectly 1,039,607 Common Shares. PEP 1999 Offshore beneficially owns directly and its general partner, PEP 1999 Offshore GP, may be deemed to beneficially own indirectly 166,143 Common Shares. PEP 1999 Direct beneficially owns directly and its general partner, PEP 1999 Direct GP, may be deemed to beneficially own indirectly 29,720 Common

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Shares. PEP 2000 beneficially owns directly and its general partner, PEP 2000 GP, may be deemed to beneficially own indirectly 439,293 Common Shares.

PEP 2000 Offshore beneficially owns directly and its general partner, PEP 2000 Offshore GP, may be deemed to beneficially own indirectly 154,627 Common Shares. PEP 2000 Direct beneficially owns directly and its general partner, PEP 2000 Direct GP, may be deemed to beneficially own indirectly 170,607 Common Shares. The number of Common Shares issuable upon exercise of the Warrants as reported herein has been provided to the Reporting Persons by the Company based on the Company's estimate of the total number of Common Shares, Warrants and options to purchase Common Shares outstanding immediately prior to the consummation of the Company's initial public offering of Common Shares.

(10) The warrants are exercisable at any time prior to December 12, 2015.

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