

RENAISSANCERE HOLDINGS LTD

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 *
RIKER WILLIAM I

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
RENAISSANCERE HOLDINGS LTD [RNR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**RENAISSANCE HOUSE, 8-20
EAST BROADWAY**

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
05/16/2005

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
President

PEMBROKE HM 19, BERMUDA

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount or Price		
					(A) or (D)		
Common Stock	05/16/2005		F		5,631 (1)	D	
Common Stock					\$ 45.42		
Common Stock					553,110	D	
Common Stock					73,740	I	by Partnership (2)
Common Stock					4,668	I	by Spouse
Common Stock					605	I	by Trust (3)

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

Table with 10 columns: 1. Title of Derivative Security, 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security, 3. Transaction Date, 3A. Deemed Execution Date, 4. Transaction Code, 5. Number of Derivative Securities, 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date, 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities, 8. Price of Derivative Security, 9. Number of Derivative Securities. Includes sub-headers for Date Exercisable and Expiration Date, and Code V (A) (D).

Reporting Owners

Table with 2 main columns: Reporting Owner Name / Address, Relationships. Relationships sub-columns: Director, 10% Owner, Officer, Other. Entry for RIKER WILLIAM I, RENAISSANCE HOUSE, 8-20 EAST BROADWAY, PEMBROKE HM 19, BERMUDA with X in Director and President in Officer.

Signatures

/s/ Stephen H. Weinstein, Attorney-in-fact, 05/17/2005. Legend: **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) Represents exclusively shares withheld by the Issuer in respect of payment of withholding tax liability.
(2) These securities are owned and controlled by a family limited partnership for the benefit of immediate family members of the reporting person and may be deemed to be beneficially owned by the reporting person.
(3) These shares are owned and controlled by a trust for the benefit of immediate family members of the reporting person and may be deemed to be beneficially owned by the reporting person.

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