Levy Sander M. Form 4 December 09, 2011

## 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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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* Levy Sander M.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

VALIDUS HOLDINGS LTD [VR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Last)

(First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Check all applicable)

C/O VESTAR CAPITAL

(Month/Day/Year) 12/07/2011

\_X\_\_ Director Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify

PARTNERS, 245 PARK AVENUE. 41ST FLOOR

> (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

NEW YORK, NY 10167

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	ole I - Non-	-Derivative Se	curitie	s Acqui	red, Disposed of	, or Beneficia	lly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities owr Disposed of (Instr. 3, 4 and Amount	of (D)	red (A)	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	12/07/2011		S	3,335,757	D	\$ 29.5	673,794	I	See Footnotes (1) (2)
Common Shares	12/07/2011		S	35,866	D	\$ 29.5	7,245	I	See Footnotes (2) (3)
Common Shares	12/07/2011		S	28,377	D	\$ 29.5	5,732	I	See Footnotes

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)

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Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transact Code (Instr. 8)	ofNumber of Derivativ Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	5		Amou Under Secur (Instr.	rlying	Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	7 (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Levy Sander M. C/O VESTAR CAPITAL PARTNERS 245 PARK AVENUE, 41ST FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10167

X

# **Signatures**

/s/ Sander M. Levy 12/09/2011

\*\*Signature of Date
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).
- (1) These shares are held by Vestar AIV Holdings A L.P.
- Each of Vestar AIV Employees Validus Ltd., Vestar AIV Holdings B L.P., and Vestar AIV Holdings A L.P. is affiliated with, or
- (2) managed by, Vestar Capital Partners. Mr. Levy is a managing director of Vestar Capital Partners and may be deemed to have a pecuniary interest in securities held by such Funds.
- (3) These shares are held by Vestar AIV Employees Validus LTD.
- (4) These shares are held by Vestar AIV Holdings B L.P.

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