

Levy Sander M.
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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 *
Levy Sander M.

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O VESTAR CAPITAL PARTNERS, 245 PARK AVENUE, 41ST FLOOR

(Street)

NEW YORK, NY 10167

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
12/09/2011

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

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)			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)	
				Code	V	Amount				(A) or (D)
Common Shares	12/09/2011		S			673,794	D	\$ 30 0	I	See Footnotes (1) (2)
Common Shares	12/09/2011		S			7,245	D	\$ 30 0	I	See Footnotes (2) (3)
Common Shares	12/09/2011		S			5,732	D	\$ 30 0	I	See Footnotes (2) (4)

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 Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Reporting Transaction (Instr. 6)
				Code	V (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 12/13/2011

__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) 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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