Flagstone Reinsurance Holdings, S.A.

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement Flagstone Reinsurance Holdings, S.A. [FSR] VALIDUS HOLDINGS LTD (Month/Day/Year) 08/30/2012 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 29 RICHMOND ROAD (Check all applicable) (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X__ 10% Owner Director _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Officer Other Person PEMBROKE, D0Â HM08 (give title below) (specify below) Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 2. Amount of Securities 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) Ι See footnotes (1) (2) (3)Common Shares, par value \$0.01 per share 16,000,000 Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a

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

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Restricted Stock Units $\hat{A} \stackrel{(1)(2)(3)}{=} \hat{A} \stackrel{\hat{A}}{=} Common \\ Shares \qquad 14,939 \qquad \$ \stackrel{(1)}{=} (2) \stackrel{(3)}{=} I \qquad See footnotes \stackrel{(1)}{=} (2) \stackrel{(2)}{=} (3)$

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

VALIDUS HOLDINGS LTD
29 RICHMOND ROAD Â Â X Â

PEMBROKE, D0Â HM08

Signatures

Validus Holdings, Ltd. /s/ Robert F. Kuzloski Title: Executive Vice President & Chief Corporate Legal Officer

09/06/2012

**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).
- On August 30, 2012, Validus Holdings, Ltd. ("Validus") entered into an Agreement and Plan of Merger (the "Merger Agreement"), dated as of August 30, 2012, by and among Validus, Validus UPS, Ltd., a wholly owned subsidiary of Validus, Flagstone Reinsurance Holdings, S.A. ("Flagstone") and Flagstone Reinsurance Holdings (Bermuda) Limited, a wholly owned subsidiary of Flagstone, pursuant to which the successor in interest to Flagstone will be acquired by Validus.
- As an inducement for Validus to enter into the Merger Agreement, Validus entered into voting agreements with investment funds associated with Lightyear Capital and Trilantic Capital Partners (each, a "Shareholder" and collectively, the "Shareholders"), which collectively own approximately 22.5% of the outstanding Flagstone shares. Pursuant to the voting agreements, each Shareholder has agreed (i) to vote all of such Shareholder's Flagstone shares, among other things, in favor of approval of the Merger Agreement and (ii) to certain restrictions on transfer. A description of the voting agreements is set forth in a Schedule 13D filed by Validus on September 5, 2012
 - Validus is filing this statement solely because, as a result of the voting agreements, Validus may be deemed to share beneficial ownership of 16,000,000 Flagstone shares and 14,939 Flagstone restricted stock units, which represent approximately 22.5% of the outstanding Flagstone shares (based upon 71,058,922 outstanding Flagstone shares as of August 7, 2012 as reported in Flagstone's Form 10-Q for the
- Flagstone shares (based upon 71,058,922 outstanding Flagstone shares as of August 7, 2012 as reported in Flagstone's Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended June 30, 2012). The filing of this Initial Statement of Beneficial Ownership of Securities on Form 3 shall not be construed as an admission by Validus that it is the beneficial owner of any Flagstone shares (or other securities) for purposes of Section 13(d), 13(g) or 16 of the Exchange Act, or for any other purposes, and such beneficial ownership is hereby expressly disclaimed.

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