

PLATINUM UNDERWRITERS HOLDINGS LTD

Form 8-K

December 06, 2005

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**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549**

**FORM 8-K  
CURRENT REPORT  
PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d)  
OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934  
Date of Report (Date of Earliest Event Reported) December 2, 2005**

**Platinum Underwriters Holdings, Ltd.**  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Bermuda**  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or  
organization)

**001-31341**  
(Commission File Number)

**98-0416483**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**The Belvedere Building  
69 Pitts Bay Road  
Pembroke, Bermuda**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**HM 08**  
(Zip Code)

**(441) 295-7195**  
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

**N/A**  
(Former name or address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
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Platinum Underwriters Holdings, Ltd. (the Company ) hereby files the following as exhibits to its Registration Statement on Form S-3 (File No. 333-129182), which was declared effective on November 8, 2005, and as exhibits to its Registration Statement on Form S-3 (File No. 333-113823), which was declared effective on April 5, 2004, or otherwise pursuant to the requirements of Form 8-K:

Exhibit 8.1 Opinion of Dewey Ballantine LLP;

Exhibit 8.2 Opinion of Conyers Dill & Pearman;

Exhibit 23.3 Consent of Dewey Ballantine LLP (included in Exhibit 8.1); and

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The Company hereby files the following as exhibits to its Registration Statement on Form S-3 (File No. 333-129182), which was declared effective on November 8, 2005, or otherwise pursuant to the requirements of Form 8-K:

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SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, Platinum Underwriters Holdings, Ltd. has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

PLATINUM UNDERWRITERS  
HOLDINGS, LTD.

By: /s/ Michael E. Lombardozzi  
Michael E. Lombardozzi  
Executive Vice President, General  
Counsel and Chief Administrative  
Officer

Date: December 6, 2005

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