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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting

Person *

A Belfatti Michael J

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

02/20/2008

VALIDUS HOLDINGS LTD [VR]

C/O VALIDUS HOLDINGS,

LTD., Â SUITE1790, 48 PAR-LA-VILLE ROAD

(Street)

4. Relationship of Reporting

Person(s) to Issuer

5. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Check all applicable)

Director

10% Owner

_X__ Officer Other (give title below) (specify below) Exec. V.P. and Chief Actuary 6. Individual or Joint/Group

Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting

Person

Form filed by More than One

Reporting Person

HAMILTON HM11, D0Â 00000

(City)

(Instr. 4)

1. Title of Security

(State)

(Zip)

2. Amount of Securities

Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)

3. Ownership 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial

Ownership

Form: Direct (D)

(I) (Instr. 5)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

or Indirect

(Instr. 5)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

Date

Exercisable

SEC 1473 (7-02)

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

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**

4. Conversion or Exercise

5. Ownership Form of Derivative

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

(Instr. 4)

Expiration Title Date

Amount or Number of Price of Derivative Security: Security Direct (D)

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Shares

or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

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Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Belfatti Michael J

C/O VALIDUS HOLDINGS, LTD. SUITE1790, 48 PAR-LA-VILLE ROAD HAMILTON HM11, D0Â 00000

Â Exec. V.P. and Chief Actuary

Signatures

/s/ Michael J. 02/27/2008 Belfatti

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

No securities are beneficially owned

- * 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).

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