

COMMONWEALTH INSURANCE CO  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
FAIRFAX FINANCIAL HOLDINGS LTD/ CAN

(Last) (First) (Middle)

95 WELLINGTON STREET WEST, SUITE 800

(Street)

TORONTO, ONTARIO, A6 M5J 2N7

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
AbitibiBowater Inc. [ABH]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
12/22/2010

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
\_\_\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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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) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
|   |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D) Code V Amount Price                                    |   |  |  |
| Common Stock, \$0.001 par value (?Common Shares?) | 12/22/2010                           |  | J <sup>(1)</sup>               | 13,182,494 A 11   | 13,182,494  | I  | See footnote <u>(2)</u>                    |

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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4) |  |                  |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|------------------|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   | Title  | Am<br>Nur<br>Sha |
| 8.0% Convertible Notes due 2013 (?Notes?)  | (3)  | 12/22/2010                           |  | J                              | \$ 368,861,110 (5)  | 10/15/2008   | (4)   | Common Stock, \$1.00 par value (?Old Common Shares?) | 36               |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |         |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| FAIRFAX FINANCIAL HOLDINGS LTD/ CAN<br>95 WELLINGTON STREET WEST<br>SUITE 800<br>TORONTO, ONTARIO, A6 M5J 2N7           |               | X         |         |       |
| MARKEL INSURANCE CO OF CANADA<br>55 UNIVERSITY AVENUE<br>SUITE 1500<br>TORONTO, ONTARIO, A6 M5J 2H7                     |               | X         |         |       |
| Federated Insurance CO of Canada<br>717 PORTAGE AVENUE<br>WINNIPEG, MANITOBA, A2 R3C 3C9                                |               | X         |         |       |
| LOMBARD GENERAL INSURANCE CO OF CANADA<br>105 ADELAIDE STREET WEST<br>3RD FLOOR<br>TORONTO, ONTARIO, A6 M5H 1P9         |               | X         |         |       |
| Lombard Insurance CO<br>105 ADELAIDE STREET WEST<br>3RD FLOOR<br>TORONTO, ONTARIO, A6 M5H 1P9                           |               | X         |         |       |
| COMMONWEALTH INSURANCE CO<br>595 BURRARD STREET<br>SUITE 1500, BOX 49115 BENTALL TOWER III<br>VANCOUVER, BC, A1 V7X 1G4 |               | X         |         |       |

## Signatures

|   |            |
|---|------------|
| /s/ V. Prem Watsa, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer | 12/27/2010 |
| __Signature of Reporting Person                         | Date       |
| /s/ Craig Pinnock, Director                             | 12/27/2010 |
| __Signature of Reporting Person                         | Date       |
| /s/ Craig Pinnock, Director                             | 12/27/2010 |
| __Signature of Reporting Person                         | Date       |
| /s/ Craig Pinnock, Director                             | 12/27/2010 |
| __Signature of Reporting Person                         | Date       |
| /s/ Craig Pinnock, Director                             | 12/27/2010 |
| __Signature of Reporting Person                         | Date       |
| /s/ Craig Pinnock, Director                             | 12/27/2010 |
| __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).

In connection with the emergence from bankruptcy and reorganization of AbitibiBowater Inc. and certain of its affiliates, pursuant to the Second Amended Joint Plan of Reorganization under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code, dated as of November 23, 2010, among AbitibiBowater and certain of its affiliates and the debtors named therein (the "Plan"), (1) the reporting persons named herein received, in

(1) partial consideration of their claims arising from their ownership of certain debt securities of AbitibiBowater Inc. and its affiliates, including the Notes, 13,182,494 Common Shares in the aggregate and (2) all of the outstanding Notes were canceled pursuant to the Plan for no cash consideration, in each case, in a transaction exempt pursuant to Rule 16b-7 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

Following the transactions reported herein, 4,911,509 Common Shares are held by Fairfax Financial Holdings Limited, 3,667,903 Common Shares are held by Odyssey America Reinsurance Corporation, 1,265,588 Common Shares are held by The North River Insurance Company, 1,269,625 Common Shares are held by TIG Insurance Company, 539,984 Common Shares are held by Lombard

(2) General Insurance Company of Canada, 295,303 Common Shares are held by Commonwealth Insurance Company, 465,682 Common Shares are held by Markel Insurance Company of Canada, 104,621 Common Shares are held by Federated Insurance Company of Canada, 84,373 Common Shares are held by Lombard Insurance Company, 252,400 Common Shares are held by United States Fire Insurance Company, and 325,506 Common Shares are held by Zenith Insurance Company.

The Notes were convertible into Old Common Shares based on an initial conversion rate of 100 Old Common Shares per \$1,000 principal

(3) amount of Notes (equivalent to an initial conversion price of \$10.00 per Old Common Share), subject to adjustment under certain circumstances.

(4) The Notes were convertible into Old Common Shares at the option of the holder thereof at any time prior to the close of business on the business day immediately preceding 04/15/2013, which was the maturity date of the Notes.

(5) Aggregate principal amount of Notes.

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