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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Rajpal Sumit Issuer Symbol VALIDUS HOLDINGS LTD [VR] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner __X_ Other (specify Officer (give title C/O GOLDMAN SACHS & 06/08/2011 below) below) CO., 200 WEST STREET Former Director (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting NEW YORK, NY 10282 Person

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-D	Derivative	Secur	rities Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	lly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired n(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	(1115111 1)
Common Stock	06/08/2011		S	2,014 (1)	D	\$ 30.85 (2)	6,058,782 (3)	I	See footnotes (1) (3)

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)

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Rajpal Sumit C/O GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. 200 WEST STREET NEW YORK, NY 10282

Former Director

Signatures

/s/ Yvette Kosic, Attorney-in-fact

06/10/2011

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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- * 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).
- The securities reported herein as indirectly sold were beneficially owned directly by Goldman, Sachs & Co. ("Goldman Sachs") and (1) indirectly by The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc. ("GS Group"). Without admitting any legal obligation, Goldman Sachs or another wholly-owned subsidiary of GS Group will remit appropriate profits, if any, to Validus Holdings, Ltd. (the "Issuer").
- Reflects a weighted average sale price of \$30.85 per share, at prices ranging from \$30.84 to \$30.87 per share. Upon request by the staff of (2) the Securities and Exchange Commission, the Issuer, or a security holder of the Issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price will be provided.
 - The Reporting Person is a managing director of Goldman Sachs. Goldman Sachs is a wholly-owned subsidiary of GS Group. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of the securities reported herein except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein, if
- (3) any. Goldman Sachs and GS Group may be deemed to beneficially own indirectly, in the aggregate, 6,058,782 shares of the Issuer's common stock by reason of the beneficial ownership of such shares by certain investment partnerships of which affiliates of Goldman Sachs and GS Group are the general partner, managing general partner or managing limited partner.

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