

Porter Robert S
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Porter Robert S

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 PLATINUM UNDERWRITERS HOLDINGS LTD [PTP]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 PLATINUM UNDERWRITERS BERMUDA, LTD., 69 PITTS BAY ROAD, 2ND FLOOR
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 02/14/2012

____ Director
 Officer (give title below)
 ____ 10% Owner
 ____ Other (specify below)
 CEO - Platinum Bermuda

PEMBROKE, D0 HM 08
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				(A) or (D)	Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price

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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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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price or Value of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
Market Share Units	(1)	02/14/2012		A	12,490	(1) (1)	Common Shares	(1) \$

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Porter Robert S PLATINUM UNDERWRITERS BERMUDA, LTD. 69 PITTS BAY ROAD, 2ND FLOOR PEMBROKE, D0 HM 08			CEO - Platinum Bermuda	

Signatures

/s/ Christina M. Parker, Attorney-in-Fact 02/15/2012
**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).
- The Market Share Units vest on July 14, 2014. Each Market Share Unit represents a contingent right to receive between 0 and 1-1/2 (1) Common Shares of Platinum Underwriters Holdings, Ltd. based on the difference between the average closing prices of the Common Shares for twenty trading days ending on June 30, 2014 and December 31, 2011.

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