

ASA LTD  
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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 \*  
PEGGE ANDREW

(Last) (First) (Middle)

4TH FLOOR, DERBY HOUSE, 64  
ATHOL STREET

(Street)

DOUGLAS, ISLE OF  
MAN, X0 IM1 IJD

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
ASA LTD [ASA US]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
12/15/2008

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |   |                  |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|---|------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)  | Price   |  |   |   |                  |
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | Code  | V   | Amount   |   |   |                  |
| Common Stock                    | 12/15/2008                           | 12/15/2008   | S                              | 21,701  | D   | \$ 46.64   | 132,728   | I | See footnote (1) |
| Common Stock                    | 12/16/2008                           | 12/16/2008   | S                              | 25,000  | D   | \$ 47.17   | 107,728   | I | See footnote (1) |

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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 6) |
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## Reporting Owners

### Reporting Owner Name / Address

### Relationships

Director    10% Owner    Officer    Other

PEGGE ANDREW  
4TH FLOOR, DERBY HOUSE  
64 ATHOL STREET  
DOUGLAS, ISLE OF MAN, X0 IM1 1JD

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## Signatures

Andrew Pegge by his Attorney-in-Fact Paul K. Wustrack, Jr.

12/17/2008

\_\_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).

(1) DIRECTOR OF LAXEY PARTNERS LTD ACTING AS INVESTMENT MANAGER TO A NUMBER OF DISCRETIONARY MANAGED FUNDS. LAXEY OWNS SOME OF THE FUNDS.

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