

AbitibiBowater Inc.
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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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)
01/12/2011

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)
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X Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock, \$0.001 par value (?Common Shares?)	01/12/2011		P		3,774,059	A	\$ 22.87
					16,957,649	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 Owned Beneficially (Instr. 5)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
FAIRFAX FINANCIAL HOLDINGS LTD/ CAN 95 WELLINGTON STREET WEST SUITE 800 TORONTO, ONTARIO, A6 M5J 2N7		X		
MARKEL INSURANCE CO OF CANADA 55 UNIVERSITY AVENUE SUITE 1500 TORONTO, ONTARIO, A6 M5J 2H7		X		
Lombard Insurance CO 105 ADELAIDE STREET WEST 3RD FLOOR TORONTO, ONTARIO, A6 M5H 1P9		X		

Signatures

/s/ V. Prem Watsa, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer	01/14/2011
__Signature of Reporting Person	Date
/s/ Craig Pinnock, Director	01/14/2011
__Signature of Reporting Person	Date
/s/ Craig Pinnock, Director	01/14/2011
__Signature of Reporting Person	Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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The Common Shares are held by Fairfax Financial Holdings Limited and certain of its subsidiaries, including, following the transaction reported herein, 5,353,083 Common Shares held by Fairfax Financial Holdings Limited, 5,111,796 Common Shares held by Odyssey America Reinsurance Corporation, 1,615,588 Common Shares held by The North River Insurance Company and certain of its

- (1) subsidiaries, 325,000 Common Shares held by Clearwater Insurance Company, 1,659,407 Common Shares held by TIG Insurance Company and certain of its subsidiaries, 665,682 Common Shares held by Markel Insurance Company of Canada, 284,373 Common Shares held by Lombard Insurance Company, and 750,410 Common Shares held by Zenith Insurance Company. Settlement of the transaction reported herein is expected to occur on or about January 18, 2011.

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