

Singh Alok
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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 *
Singh Alok

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O VALIDUS RE, 48
PAR-LA-VILLE ROAD, SUITE
1790

(Street)

HAMILTON, D0 HM11

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
VALIDUS HOLDINGS LTD [VR]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
05/21/2012

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)
See Note (5) 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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Shares	05/21/2012		S		184,204	<u>D</u> (1)	\$ 31.5652 (4)
Common Shares	05/21/2012		S		14,255	<u>D</u> (2)	\$ 31.5652 (4)
Common Shares	05/21/2012		S		3,240	<u>D</u> (3)	\$ 31.5652 (4)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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