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December 23, 20	11								
FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION									PPROVAL
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(Print or Type Respondence)	nses)								
1. Name and Addres Levy Sander M.	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol VALIDUS HOLDINGS LTD [VR]			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer					
(Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction					(Che	eck all applicabl	e)		
(]				(Month/Day/Year) 12/22/2011			XDirector10% Owner Officer (give titleOther (specify		
PARTNERS, 24 41ST FLOOR	5 PARK AV	'ENUE,					below)	below)	
(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. In					6. Individual or	or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
Filed(Month/Day/Year) NEW YORK, NY 10167					Form filed by	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
	(State)	(Zip)	Tab	ole I - Non-l	Derivative	Securities A	Acquired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned
1.Title of 2. Tra	ansaction Date	2A. Deemo		3.	4. Securit		5. Amount of	6. Ownership	7. Nature of
Security (Mon (Instr. 3)	nth/Day/Year)	Execution any (Month/Da		Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	Disposed (Instr. 3, 4	of (D) 4 and 5) (A) or	Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
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	Tab						Beneficially Owned securities)	1	

1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5. Number of	6. Date Exercisable and	7. Title and Amour
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transacti	orDerivative	Expiration Date	Underlying Securit

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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day/Y	(Month/Day/Year)		(Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	' (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo Num Shar	
Warrants to purchase common stock (1) (2)	\$ 17.5	12/22/2011		S	954,442.45	12/12/2005	12/12/2015	Common Shares	954	
Warrants to purchase common stock (2) (3)	\$ 17.5	12/22/2011		S	10,236.28	12/12/2005	12/12/2015	Common Shares	10,	
Warrants to purchase common stock $\frac{(2)}{(4)}$	\$ 17.5	12/22/2011		S	8,130.95	12/12/2005	12/12/2015	Common Shares	8,	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address		Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Levy Sander M. C/O VESTAR CAPITAL PAR 245 PARK AVENUE, 41ST F NEW YORK, NY 10167		Х					
Signatures							
/s/ Sander M. Levy 12	2/23/2011						

<u>**</u>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) These securities were held by Vestar AIV Holdings A L.P.

Each of Vestar AIV Employees Validus Ltd., Vestar AIV Holdings B L.P., and Vestar AIV Holdings A L.P. is affiliated with, or
 (2) managed by, Vestar Capital Partners. Mr. Levy is a managing director of Vestar Capital Partners and may be deemed to have a pecuniary interest in securities held by such Funds.

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- (3) These securities were held by Vestar AIV Employees Validus LTD.
- (4) These securities were held by Vestar AIV Holdings B L.P.

Remarks:

Pursuant to Rule 16a-1 (a)(2)(ii)(B) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Act"), Mr. Levy may be dee

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