

Kurtzman Kenneth A
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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 *
 Kurtzman Kenneth A

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 ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES, INC., 2 STAMFORD PLAZA, SUITE 1504

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 02/21/2012

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
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(Street)

STAMFORD, CT 06901

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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(City) (State) (Zip)

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)
			Code	V	Amount or Price		
Common Shares	02/21/2012		M		2,018 A \$ 0	D	
Common Shares	02/21/2012		F		669 D \$ 36.11	D	
Common Shares	02/21/2012		M		553 A \$ 0	D	
Common Shares	02/21/2012		F		184 D \$ 36.11	D	

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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 (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. 3)		
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
						Code	V	(A)	(D)	
Share units	<u>(1)</u>	02/21/2012		M	2,018	<u>(2)</u>	<u>(2)</u>	Common Shares <u>(2)</u>	0	\$ 0
Share units	<u>(1)</u>	02/21/2012		M	553	<u>(3)</u>	<u>(3)</u>	Common Shares <u>(3)</u>	0	\$ 0

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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Signatures

/s/ Christina M. Parker,
Attorney-in-Fact

02/22/2012

 **Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

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

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(1) 1-for-1

(2) These share units were awarded on February 21, 2008 under the 2006 Share Incentive Plan (the "Plan") of Platinum Underwriters Holdings, Ltd. (the "Company"). On February 21, 2012, the Company issued to the reporting person one Common Share for each of the remaining 50% of the share units awarded to the reporting person, reduced by the number of Common Shares which are equal in Fair

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Market Value (as defined in the Plan) on such date to the reporting person's tax withholding obligation.

- These share units were awarded on July 24, 2008 under the Plan. On February 21, 2012, the Company issued to the reporting person one
- (3) Common Share for each of the remaining 50% of the share units awarded to the reporting person, reduced by the number of Common Shares which are equal in Fair Market Value (as defined in the Plan) on such date to the reporting person's tax withholding obligation.

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