

VALIDUS HOLDINGS LTD
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FORM 4

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
BANK OF AMERICA CORP /DE/

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
100 N TRYON ST
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
03/02/2009

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

CHARLOTTE, NC 28255

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

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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	(D)	Price
Common Stock	03/02/2009		P		130 ⁽³⁾	A	\$ 23.2737
							5,714,415 ⁽⁴⁾
							⁽⁵⁾ ⁽⁶⁾ ⁽⁷⁾
						I	
							By
							Subsidiary
							⁽¹⁾ ⁽²⁾
Common Stock	04/21/2009		S		130 ⁽³⁾	D	\$ 23.0218
							5,714,285 ⁽⁴⁾
							⁽⁵⁾ ⁽⁶⁾ ⁽⁸⁾
						I	
							By
							Subsidiary
							⁽¹⁾ ⁽²⁾

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- (6) 1,428,571 shares are owned directly by Merrill Lynch Ventures L.P. 2001, a partnership whose general partner is Merrill Lynch Ventures, L.L.C., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Merrill Lynch Group, Inc.
- (7) 130 shares are directly owned by MLPFS.
- (8) No shares are directly owned by MLPFS.

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