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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Ad Carpenter Mi		ing Person *	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)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction			
48 PAR-LA-VILLE ROAD, SUITE 1790		D, SUITE	(Month/Day/Year) 09/01/2012	_X_ Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chairman Talbot Underwriting		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)		
HAMILTON, D0 HM11				_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State) (Z	Zip) Table	e I - Non-Do	erivative S	Securi	ties Ac	quired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi onAcquired Disposed (Instr. 3,	l (A) of l of (D) 4 and (A) or))	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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	09/01/2012		A	781	A	\$ 0	304,326	D	

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)

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Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	ofNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			Amou Under Securi (Instr.	rlying	Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
1	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
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Signatures

/s/ Michael E. A.

Carpenter

**Signature of Reporting
Person

Date

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