

VALIDUS HOLDINGS LTD  
Form 8-K  
May 03, 2012

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): May 3, 2012 (May 2, 2012)

Commission file number 001-33606

VALIDUS HOLDINGS, LTD.  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

BERMUDA  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or organization)

98-0501001  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

29 Richmond Road, Pembroke, Bermuda HM 08

(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (441) 278-9000

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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  - o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
  - o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Item 8.01 Other Events.

On May 2, 2012, Validus Holdings, Ltd. issued a press release announcing that it intends to commence a modified “Dutch auction” tender offer for up to an aggregate amount of \$200 million of its common shares at a price of not less than \$30.50 per common share and not more than \$33.50 per common share in cash, without interest. A copy of this press release is attached to this Current Report on Form 8-K as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits. The following exhibit is filed herewith:

| Exhibit      | Description   |
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| Exhibit 99.1 | Press Release (“Validus Holdings, Ltd. Announces Modified Dutch Auction Tender Offer for \$200.0 Million Validus Common Shares”), dated May 2, 2012 |

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Date: May 3, 2012

VALIDUS HOLDINGS, LTD.  
(Registrant)

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| By:    | /s/ Joseph E. (Jeff) Consolino         |
| Name:  | Joseph E. (Jeff) Consolino             |
| Title: | President & Chief Financial<br>Officer |