

NICHOLS JOHN DRAKE
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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 *
 NICHOLS JOHN DRAKE

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 RENAISSANCERE HOLDINGS LTD [RNR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 RENAISSANCE HOUSE, 8-20 EAST BROADWAY
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 07/20/2009

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 President, RenRe Ventures Ltd.

PEMBROKE, BERMUDA, D0 HM 19
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|
| Common Stock | 07/20/2009 | | F | (A) or (D) 3,229 (1) | \$ 49.05 133,665 (2) | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | 46,759 | I | by Partnership (3) |
| Common Stock | | | | | 1,137 | I | by Spouse |

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 Acquired (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. 5) | 9. Nu Deriv Secur Benef Own Follo Repor Trans (Instr |
|-----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

NICHOLS JOHN DRAKE
RENAISSANCE HOUSE
8-20 EAST BROADWAY
PEMBROKE, BERMUDA, D0 HM 19

President, RenRe Ventures Ltd.

Signatures

/s/ Anthony E. Szydlowski,
Attorney-in-Fact

07/22/2009

__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) Represents exclusively shares withheld by the Registrant in respect of payment of withholding tax liability incurred upon the vesting of restricted shares.
The Reporting Person previously transferred 3,153 shares of common stock from a family limited partnership for the benefit of immediate family members of the Reporting Person, with respect to which the Reporting Person may be deemed to be a beneficial owner, to the Reporting Person's own account. There was no change to the aggregate number of shares with respect to which the Reporting Person may be deemed to beneficially own as a result of such transfer.
 - (2) These securities are owned and controlled by a family limited partnership for the benefit of immediate family members of the Reporting Person and may be deemed to be beneficially owned by the Reporting Person.

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