

SCHMIDT NEAL J
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FORM 4

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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 *
 SCHMIDT NEAL J

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 WORLD FINANCIAL CENTER, SUITE 2300

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 02/22/2012

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 EVP and Chief Actuary - PASI

(Street)
 NEW YORK, NY 10281

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) Code V Amount Price | | | |
| Common Shares | 02/22/2012 | | M | 1,982 A \$ 0 | 51,737 | D | |
| Common Shares | 02/22/2012 | | F | 715 D \$ 36.43 | 51,022 | 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)

| 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 or Value of Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|---|
| Share units | (1) | 02/22/2012 | | M | 1,982 | (2) (2) | Common Shares (2) | 1,982 \$ (2) |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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2 WORLD FINANCIAL CENTER, SUITE 2300
NEW YORK, NY 10281

EVP and Chief Actuary - PASI

Signatures

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

02/23/2012

__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

These share units were awarded on February 22, 2010 under the 2006 Share Incentive Plan (the "Plan") of Platinum Underwriters Holdings, Ltd. (the "Company"). On February 22, 2012, the second quarter of these share units vested and the Company issued to the

(2) reporting person one Common Share for each vested share unit. The remaining share units will vest ratably on the third and fourth anniversaries of the date of award and on these vesting dates the Company will issue to the reporting person one Common Share for each vested share unit.

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