Krantz James A Form 4 February 23, 2010

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

SECURITIES

Washington, D.C. 20549 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

may continue.

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Krantz James A

(Last)

(City)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

PLATINUM UNDERWRITERS **HOLDINGS LTD [PTP]**

(Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

> (Month/Day/Year) 02/21/2010

THE BELVEDERE BUILDING, 69 PITTS BAY ROAD, 2ND FLOOR

(State)

(First)

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Zip)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

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Issuer

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Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

below)

EVP & Chief Financial Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

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1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securities Acquired		5. Amount of	6. Ownership	7. Nature of		
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	on(A) or Disposed of			Securities	Form: Direct	Indirect	
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	(D)			Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial	
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership		
						Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)		
					()		Reported			
					(A)		Transaction(s)			
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)			
Common	02/21/2010		M	3,641	A	\$ 0	49,828	D		
Shares										
Common Shares	02/21/2010		A	17,538 (1)	A	\$0	67,366	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 Derivativ Security (Instr. 3)	ve Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (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 Deriva Securit (Instr.
			Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Share units	(2)	02/21/2010	M	3,641	<u>(3)</u>	(3)	Common Shares (3)	3,641	\$ (

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Krantz James A THE BELVEDERE BUILDING 69 PITTS BAY ROAD, 2ND FLOOR PEMBROKE, D0 HM 08

EVP & Chief Financial Officer

Signatures

/s/Michael E. Lombardozzi Attorney-in-Fact

02/23/2010 Date

**Signature of Reporting Person

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) This represents the payment of an award granted on May 30, 2007 under the Amended and Restated Executive Incentive Plan of Platinum Underwriters Holdings, Ltd. (the "Company") for the 2007-2009 performance cycle.
- (**2**) 1-for-1

These share units were awarded on May 30, 2007 under the 2006 Share Incentive Plan of the Company. On February 21, 2010, 50% of these share units vested and the Company issued to the reporting person one Common Share of the Company for each vested share unit. On February 21, 2011 the Company will issue to the reporting person one Common Share for each of the remaining 50% of the share units awarded to the reporting person.

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