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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 *
 Mitchell H Elizabeth

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)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 02/28/2009

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 Platinum US President and CEO

PLATINUM UNDERWRITERS REINSURANCE, INC., 2 WORLD FINANCIAL CENTER, SUITE 2300

(Street)

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

NEW YORK, NY 10281

(City) (State) (Zip)

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)
			Code	V	Amount or Price		
Common Shares	02/28/2009		M		3,475 A \$ 0	D	
Common Shares	02/28/2009		F		1,314 D \$ 28.04	D	
Common Shares	02/28/2009		A		20,848 (1) A \$ 0	D	
Common Shares	02/28/2009		F		7,881 D \$ 28.04	D	

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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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
Restricted share units	(2)	02/28/2009		M	3,475	(3) (3)	Common Shares (3)	3,475

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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

Platinum US President and
CEO

Signatures

/s/ Michael E. Lombardozzi, Attorney
in Fact

03/03/2009

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

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

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(1) This represents the settlement of an award granted on February 28, 2006 under the Amended and Restated Executive Incentive Plan of the Company for the 2006 - 2008 performance cycle.

(2) 1-for-1

(3) These restricted share units ("RSUs") were awarded on February 28, 2006 under the 2002 Share Incentive Plan. On the third anniversary of the date of the grant, the Company issued to the reporting person one Common Share of the Company for each of 50% of the RSUs

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awarded to the reporting person. On the fourth anniversary of the date of the grant, the Company will issue to the reporting person one Common Share of the Company for each of the remaining 50% of the RSUs awarded to the reporting person.

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