Mitchell H Elizabeth
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FORM 4

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

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

(Last) (First) (Middle)

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

(Street)

NEW YORK, NY 10281

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol
PLATINUM UNDERWRITERS HOLDINGS LTD [PTP]

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

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
_X_ 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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Shares	02/28/2009		M		3,475	A	$ 0	64,356	D	
Common Shares	02/28/2009		F		1,314	D	$ 28.04	63,042	D	
Common Shares	02/28/2009		A		20,848 (1)	A	$ 0	83,890	D	
Common Shares	02/28/2009		F		7,881	D	$ 28.04	76,009	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. Pr Deriv Secu (Inst
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
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
Mitchell H Elizabeth PLATINUM UNDERWRITERS REINSURANCE, 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).

****** 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 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

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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