

PLATINUM UNDERWRITERS HOLDINGS LTD
Form 8-K
April 23, 2008

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

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of Earliest Event Reported):

April 23, 2008

Platinum Underwriters Holdings, Ltd.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Bermuda

001-31341

98-0416483

(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

(Commission
File Number)

(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

The Belvedere Building, 69 Pitts Bay Road,
Pembroke, Bermuda

HM 08

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:

(441) 295-7195

Not Applicable

Former name or former address, if changed since last report

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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Item 8.01 Other Events.

On April 23, 2008, the Company issued a press release announcing that the Company had increased the authorized amount under its existing share repurchase program to a total of up to \$250 million of its common shares. This represents an increase of approximately \$127 million from the approximately \$123 million remaining under the previous share repurchase program announced on February 21, 2008. The press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit 99.1 Press release dated April 23, 2008

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Platinum Underwriters Holdings, Ltd.

April 23, 2008

By: /s/ Michael E. Lombardozzi

*Name: Michael E. Lombardozzi
Title: Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Chief
Administrative Officer*

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| <u>Exhibit No.</u> | <u>Description</u> |
|---------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 99.1 | Press release dated April 23, 2008 |