PENA MARDELLE W Form 4 March 19, 2012

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or

Form 5 obligations may continue.

See Instruction

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

SECURITIES

(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

(Last)

(City)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * PENA MARDELLE W

(First)

(Street)

(State)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

VIRTUS INVESTMENT PARTNERS, INC. [VRTS]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/15/2012

C/O VIRTUS INVESTMENT PARTNERS, INC., 100 PEARL STREET

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

SVP, Human Resources

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

HARTFORD, CT 06103

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) Code (Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

(Middle)

TransactionAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

> Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

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

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Indirect Form: Direct (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Common

Stock, par 03/15/2012 value \$0.01

1,938 A

Code V Amount

\$0 4,526

Price

D

per share Common

per share

Stock, par 03/15/2012 value \$0.01

Α

670⁽²⁾ A

(A)

(D)

\$0 5.196 (3) 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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed		ate	Secur	unt of rlying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans
					of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)						(Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer

Other

PENA MARDELLE W C/O VIRTUS INVESTMENT PARTNERS, INC. 100 PEARL STREET HARTFORD, CT 06103

SVP, Human Resources

Signatures

/s/Mark S. Flynn, Attorney-in-Fact

03/19/2012

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- These shares comprise an award of restricted stock units (RSUs) granted to the reporting person pursuant to the Company's 2011 Long

 (1) Term Incentive Plan. Subject to acceleration in certain circumstances, the RSUs are scheduled to cliff vest on March 15, 2014 and will be settled for shares of common stock on a one-for-one basis upon vesting.
- These shares comprise an award of restricted stock units (RSUs) granted to the reporting person. Subject to acceleration in certain (2) circumstances, the RSUs are scheduled to cliff vest on March 15, 2015 and will be settled for shares of common stock on a one-for-one basis upon vesting.
- (3) This number includes (i) 720 RSUs that are scheduled to cliff vest on August 16, 2013 and (ii) 1,048 RSUs that are scheduled to cliff vest on March 15, 2014. RSUs will be settled for shares of common stock on a one-for-one basis upon vesting.

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Reporting Owners 2

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