

PLATINUM UNDERWRITERS HOLDINGS LTD

Form 4

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1(b).**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**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

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
NEWMAN STEVEN H

(Last) (First) (Middle)

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

(Street)

PEMBROKE, D0 HM O8

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading
Symbol
PLATINUM UNDERWRITERS
HOLDINGS LTD [PTP]3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
12/31/20054. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

☒ Director ☐ 10% Owner
☐ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify
below)6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
☒ 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	(D)	Price

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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(9-02)**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

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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 of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3)				
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Share units	(1)	12/31/2005		A	15	(2)		(3)	(3)	Common Shares (3)	15	(4)
Share units	(1)	01/01/2006		A	1,676			(3)	(3)	Common Shares (3)	1,676	(4)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
NEWMAN STEVEN H THE BELVEDERE BUILDING, 2ND FLOOR 69 PITTS BAY ROAD PEMBROKE, D0 HM O8	X

Signatures

Michael E. Lombardozzi,
Attorney-in-Fact
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) 1-for-1

(2) Share units deemed to be purchased with cash dividends which, pursuant to the Share Unit Plan for Nonemployee Directors (the "Plan") of Platinum Underwriters Holdings, Ltd. (the "Company"), are credited with respect to the share units held by the reporting person.

The share units were credited under the Plan and will be paid in cash, Common Shares of the Company or a combination thereof at the discretion of the Board of Directors of the Company based on the Fair Market Value (as defined in the Plan) of the Common Shares on the first business day following the earlier of (i) the date that is five years following the end of the calendar year that includes the calendar quarter in respect of which the share units are awarded (which is the quarter preceding the transaction date), and (ii) the date the reporting person ceases to be a member of the Board of Directors of the Company.

(4) Not applicable.

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