

VALIDUS HOLDINGS LTD
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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 *
MERRILL LYNCH & CO INC

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
VALIDUS HOLDINGS LTD [VR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

4 WORLD FINANCIAL CENTER

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
01/30/2008

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

(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
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NEW YORK, NY 10080

(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)
Common Shares	01/30/2008		S	(A) or (D) V Amount Price 4,971 (1) D \$ 24.8105	5,709,314 (2) (3) (4)	I	See footnotes (2) (3) (4) (5)
Common Shares	02/06/2008		P	(A) or (D) V Amount Price 4,971 (1) A \$ 24.8679	5,714,285 (2) (3) (6)	I	See footnotes (2) (3) (5) (6)

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

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(6) No shares are owned directly by MLPFS.

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