

PLATINUM UNDERWRITERS HOLDINGS LTD  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

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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 \*  
 SLATTERY JAMES P

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 04/29/2010

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

C/O PLATINUM UNDERWRITERS HOLDINGS, LTD., 69 PITTS BAY ROAD, 3RD FLOOR

(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  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

PEMBROKE, D0 HM 08

(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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D) Price  |   |  |                                   |
| Common Shares                   | 04/29/2010                           |  | M                              | 1,769 A \$ 0  | 2,334   | 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<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 5. Number of<br>Derivative<br>Securities<br>Acquired (A) or<br>Disposed of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4, and<br>5) | 6. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of<br>Underlying Securities<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 8.                          |  |
|---|--|---|---|---|---|--|---|-----------------------------|--|
|   |  |   |   | Code                                    | V (A) (D)   | Date<br>Exercisable  | Expiration<br>Date  | Title                       | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares |
| Share<br>units                                      | <u>(1)</u>   | 04/29/2010                              |   | M                                       | 1,769   | <u>(2)</u>   | <u>(2)</u>  | Common<br>Shares <u>(2)</u> | 1,769                                  |
| Share<br>units                                      | <u>(1)</u>   | 04/29/2010                              |   | A                                       | 1,362   | <u>(3)</u>   | <u>(3)</u>  | Common<br>Shares <u>(3)</u> | 1,362                                  |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |         |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| SLATTERY JAMES P<br>C/O PLATINUM UNDERWRITERS HOLDINGS, LTD.<br>69 PITTS BAY ROAD, 3RD FLOOR<br>PEMBROKE, D0 HM 08 | X             |           |         |       |

## Signatures

Michael E. Lombardozzi,  
Attorney-in-fact 04/29/2010

\*\*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).

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These share units were awarded on April 29, 2009 pursuant to the Company's 2006 Share Incentive Plan. On the first anniversary of the date of the grant, the Company issued to the reporting person one Common Share of the Company for each of the share units awarded to the reporting person.

(3) These share units were awarded on April 29, 2010 pursuant to the Company's 2010 Share Incentive Plan. On the earlier to occur of the first anniversary of the date of the grant or the date of the Company's next Annual General Meeting of Shareholders, the Company will issue to the reporting person one Common Share of the Company for each of the share units awarded to the reporting person, subject to the reporting person's continued service with the Company through the applicable vesting date.

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