

VALIDUS HOLDINGS LTD  
Form 8-K  
August 08, 2011

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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):

August 3, 2011

**Validus Holdings, Ltd.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Bermuda

(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

001-33606

(Commission  
File Number)

98-0501001

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

29 Richmond Road, Pembroke, Bermuda

(Address of principal executive offices)

HM08

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:

(441) 278-9000

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:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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**Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.**

On August 3, 2011, the Board of Directors (the "Board") of Validus Holdings, Ltd. (the "Company"), acting upon the recommendation of its Corporate Governance and Nominating Committee, elected Michael E.A. Carpenter to the Board. Mr. Carpenter has been elected as a Class II Director and as such will stand for re-election at the Company's 2012 annual general meeting of shareholders. Mr. Carpenter has been named to the Risk Committee and the Finance Committee of the Board. There are no arrangements or understandings between Mr. Carpenter and any other person pursuant to which he was selected to serve as a director. No information called for by Item 404(a) of Regulation S-K is required to be disclosed herein.

Mr. Carpenter joined the Talbot Group in June of 2001 as the Chief Executive Officer. Following the sale of Talbot to the Company on July 2, 2007, Mr. Carpenter was appointed as Chairman of Talbot and continues to serve in that position. The Service Agreement between Mr. Carpenter and the Company was filed as Exhibit 10.21 to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2007 and is incorporated by reference herein.

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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.

Validus Holdings, Ltd.

*August 8, 2011*

By: */s/ Joseph E. (Jeff) Consolino*

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*Name: Joseph E. (Jeff) Consolino  
Title: President and Chief Financial Officer*