VALIDUS HOLDINGS LTD Form 8-K January 22, 2010

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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): January 21, 2010

VALIDUS HOLDINGS, LTD.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Bermuda001-3360698-0501001(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)(Commission File Number)(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

29 Richmond Road, Pembroke, HM 08 Bermuda

(Address of principal executive offices)

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:

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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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Item 8.01. Other Events.

On January 21, 2010, Validus Holdings, Ltd. (the Company) issued a press release announcing that it priced a registered offering of \$250 million of its 8.875% senior notes due 2040 (the Notes Offering). The net proceeds of the Notes Offering will be used for general corporate purposes, which may include the repurchase of the Company s outstanding capital stock, dividends to its shareholders and/or potential acquisitions. The press release announcing the pricing of the Notes Offering is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits. The following exhibits are filed herewith:

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press Release, dated January 21, 2010, entitled Validus

Holdings, Ltd. Prices Public Senior Debt Offering.

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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.

Date: January 21, 2010

VALIDUS HOLDINGS, LTD. (Registrant)

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

Title: Executive Vice President & Chief Financial Officer