

Weinstein Stephen Howard
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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 *
 Weinstein Stephen Howard

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 RENAISSANCERE HOLDINGS LTD [RNR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)
 ___ Director ___ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)
 SVP, General Counsel & Secty

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 RENAISSANCE HOUSE, 12 CROW LANE
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 03/01/2011

PEMBROKE, D0 HM19

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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(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. Code | 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 (A) or (D) Price | | | |
| Common Stock | 01/05/2011 | | G | V 820 <u>(1)</u> D \$ 0 113,397 | D | | |
| Common Stock | 01/05/2011 | | G | V 820 <u>(1)</u> A \$ 0 5,234 | I | by Trusts <u>(2)</u> | |
| Common Stock | 02/14/2011 | | G | V 143 <u>(3)</u> D \$ 0 113,254 | D | | |
| Common Stock | 03/01/2011 | | A | <u>9,567</u> <u>(4)</u> A \$ 0 122,821 | D | | |
| Common Stock | 03/01/2011 | | A | <u>7,972</u> <u>(5)</u> A \$ 0 130,793 | D | | |

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(Performance Based)

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|------------------|------------|---|--------------|---|----------|---------|---|
| Common Stock | 03/01/2011 | F | 1,667 (6) | D | \$ 66.21 | 129,126 | D |
| Common Stock | 03/02/2011 | F | 2,734 (6) | D | \$ 66.3 | 126,392 | D |
| Common Stock (7) | 03/01/2011 | M | 2,240 (8) | A | (9) | 128,632 | D |
| Common Stock (7) | 03/01/2011 | D | 2,240 (8) | D | \$ 66.21 | 126,392 | 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 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 (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. Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|--|--|---|-------------------------------|
| Restricted Stock Units (7) | (9) | 03/01/2011 | | M | 2,240 (8) | 03/01/2011 (8)(9) | Common Stock | 2,240 (8) |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|------------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Weinstein Stephen Howard RENAISSANCE HOUSE 12 CROW LANE PEMBROKE, D0 HM19 | | | SVP, General Counsel & Secty | |

Signatures

/s/ Stephen H.
Weinstein

03/03/2011

__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).
- (1) Represents gifts made to two separate trusts for the benefits of each of two minor children of the Reporting Person, respectively (the "Trusts") on January 5, 2011, and which shares may be deemed to be beneficially owned by the Reporting Person.
- (2) These shares were gifted to and are directly held by the Trusts.
- (3) Represents a gift to a bona fide charity made by the Reporting Person on February 14, 2011.
- (4) These shares will vest in four equal annual installments beginning on March 1, 2012.
Grant of restricted Common Stock of the Issuer, pursuant to its 2010 Performance-based Equity Incentive Plan. Vesting of these shares is subject to the satisfaction of both certain service-and performance-based vesting conditions. The amount granted represents the maximum potential achievable award. If minimal performance conditions are not met, all shares will be returned to the Performance Share Plan. The grant consists of three substantially equal performance measurement periods, and the number of shares in each tranche that ultimately vest is a function of the Issuer's Total Shareholder Return during a given calendar-year period relative to the members of a predetermined peer group of companies, and the satisfaction of applicable service conditions.
- (5) This represents shares withheld by the Registrant in respect of payment of withholding tax liability incurred upon the vesting of restricted shares.
The Reporting Person received a grant of Restricted Stock Units on March 1, 2010 which vests in four equal annual installments beginning on March 1, 2011. Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive, upon settlement, cash equal to the closing fair market value of one Common Share of the Issuer on the date of vesting.
- (6) Represents the full value, gross of any applicable withholdings, of one quarter of the original grant which vested on March 1, 2011.
- (7) Each Restricted Stock Unit was the economic equivalent of one share of the Issuer's Common Stock. On March 1, 2011, 2,240 of the Reporting Person's Restricted Stock Units were settled for cash.
- (8)
- (9)

Remarks:

In February 2011, the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors effected its determinations for executive officer compensation.

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