

PLATINUM UNDERWRITERS HOLDINGS LTD

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Platinum Underwriters Holdings, Ltd. (Platinum)
Common Shares Offering
7,276,750 Share Offering (3,316,750 Primary Shares; 3,960,000 Secondary Shares)
Overallotment Option (15%): 1,091,513 shares
(100% Primary)

Outstanding Common Shares after Offering (assuming the exercise in full of the underwriters overallotment option): 59,062,300 (based on the number of shares outstanding as of November 22, 2005 and excluding 4,061,573 Common Shares issuable upon exercise of outstanding options and 148,809 Common Shares issuable to directors and officers of Platinum in exchange for share units under compensation arrangements)

Selling Shareholder: RenaissanceRe Holdings, Ltd.

Price: \$30.15

Estimated Net Proceeds to Platinum (assuming the exercise in full of the underwriters overallotment option):
\$127 million

Last Sale (11/30/05): \$30.46

Trade Date: 11/30/05

Settlement Date: 12/06/2005

CUSIP: G7127P100

Sole-Bookrunner: Merrill Lynch
Senior Co-Manager: Goldman Sachs
Junior Co-Managers: Citigroup, Wachovia & Dowling

6.00% Series A Mandatory Convertible Preferred Shares due February 15, 2009 Offering

Issuer: Platinum Underwriters Holdings, Ltd.

Offering Size: 5,000,000 Preferred shares

Overallotment Option (15%): 750,000 Preferred shares

Issue Price: \$30.15

Estimated Net Proceeds to Platinum (assuming the exercise in full of the underwriters overallotment option):
\$168 million

Liquidation Preference: \$30.15 per share

Maturity: February 15, 2009

Yield to Maturity: 6.00%

Dividend payment dates: February 15, May 15, August 15, November 15

First dividend payment date: February 15, 2006

First dividend payment: \$0.35

Subsequent quarterly dividend payment: \$0.4525

Conversion Premium: 27.0%

Threshold Appreciation price: \$38.29

Settlement ratio at maturity: If share price \leq \$30.15, 1 share

If share price $>$ \$30.15 and $<$ \$38.29, \$30.15/share price (between 1.000 and 0.800)

If share price \geq \$38.29, 1 - (\$8.14/share price)
(between 0.800 and 1.000)

Early Conversion Rate: 0.7874

Application has been made to have the Preferred Shares listed on the NYSE under the symbol PTP PrA

Trade Date: 11/30/05

Settlement Date: 12/06/2005

CUSIP: G7127P142

Sole Bookrunner: Merrill Lynch

Co-Manager: Goldman Sachs

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