VALIDUS HOLDINGS LTD Form 8-K May 05, 2011

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): May 5, 2011 **Commission file number 001-33606**

VALIDUS HOLDINGS, LTD.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

BERMUDA

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

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

29 Richmond Road, Pembroke, Bermuda HM 08

(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)

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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 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On May 5, 2011, Validus Holdings, Ltd. (Validus) issued a press release reporting its earnings for the three months ended March 31, 2011 (the Press Release). A copy of this press release is attached to this Current Report on Form 8-K as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

The information in this Current Report on Form 8-K, including the information set forth in Exhibit 99.1, shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act), or incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the Securities Act), or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

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

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press Release dated May 5, 2011 announcing the earnings of Validus Holdings, Ltd. for the three months ended March 31, 2011.

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: May 5, 2011

VALIDUS HOLDINGS, LTD. (Registrant)

By: /s/ Joseph E. (Jeff) Consolino Name: Joseph E. (Jeff) Consolino Title: President & Chief Financial Officer