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#### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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#### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)		-						1		
1. Name and Address of Reporting I BANK OF AMERICA CORI	2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol VALIDUS HOLDINGS LTD [VR]						5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X_ Director 10% Owner			
(Last) (First) BANK OF AMERICA CORI CENTER, 100 N TRYON ST	3. Date of Earlies 12/09/2009	t Transacti	on (N	Month/Day	/Year)	Officer (give title below)	Other (specif	y below)		
(Street) CHARLOTTE, NC 28255	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)						6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City) (State)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acqui						ired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned			
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	tr. 3) Date Exec (Month/Day/Year) any	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form:	Beneficial
		Month/Day/ Year)	Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	12/09/2009		Р		8 <mark>(2)</mark>	А	\$ 26.73	5,714,293 ( <u>3) (4) (5) (6)</u>	Ι	By Subsidiary (1) (10) (11)
Common Stock	12/11/2009		S		8 (2)	D	\$ 26.98	5,714,285 (3) (4) (5) (7)	Ι	By Subsidiary (1) (10) (11)
Common Stock	12/16/2009		Р		400 (2)	A	\$ 26.97	5,714,685 (3) (4) (5) (8)	Ι	By Subsidiary (1) (10) (11)
Common Stock	12/16/2009		Р		200 (2)	А	\$ 26.98	5,714,885 ( <u>3) (4) (5) (9)</u>	Ι	By Subsidiary ( <u>1) (10) (11)</u>
Common Stock	12/16/2009		S		600 <u>(2)</u>	D	\$ 27.01	5,714,285 ( <u>3) (4) (5) (7)</u>	Ι	By Subsidiary (1) (10) (11)

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 (a.g., puts calls warrants options convertible convertible)

	(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)														
1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction	3A. Deemed	4.		5.		6. Date Exer	cisable	7. Tit	le and	8. Price of	9. Number of	10.	11. Nature
Derivative	Conversion	Date	Execution Date, if	Transact	ion	Number and Expiration Date A		Amo	unt of	Derivative	Derivative	Ownership	of Indirect		
Security	or Exercise	(Month/Day/Year)	any	Code		of (Month/Day/Year) U		Unde	rlying	Security	Securities	Form of	Beneficial		
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)		× • • •		Securities		(Instr. 5)	Beneficially	Derivative	Ownership		
	Derivative					Secur	Securities (I		(Instr. 3 and			Owned	Security:	(Instr. 4)	
	Security					Acqu	Acquired 4		4)			Following	Direct (D)		
						(A) or					Reported	or Indirect			
						Disposed						Transaction(s)	(I)		
						of (D)						(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)		
						(Instr. 3,									
						4, and 5)									
											Amount				
								Dete	E		or				
									Expiration	Title	Number				
								Exercisable	Date		of				
				Code	V	(A)	(D)				Shares				

## **Reporting Owners**

	Relationships

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BANK OF AMERICA CORP /DE/ BANK OF AMERICA CORPORATE CENTER 100 N TRYON ST CHARLOTTE, NC 28255	Х			

## Signatures

# **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) This Form 4 is being filed by Bank of America Corporation (?BAC?), a Delaware corporation and bank holding company registered under the Bank Holding Company Act of 1956, on behalf of its subsidiaries.
- (2) Transaction executed by the error correction section of Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated ("MLPFS"), a broker-dealer and subsidiary of BAC, to correct errors made in connection with trades made on behalf of clients of MLPFS.
- (3) In connection with this transaction, BAC has agreed to voluntarily remit appropriate profits, if any, to Validus Holdings Ltd. BAC disclaims that such transaction is subject to reporting under Section 16(a) or disgorgement under Section 16(b), and this report shall not be deemed an admission that those sections apply to such transaction.
- 4,285,714 shares are owned directly by ML Global Private Equity Fund, L.P. ("MLGPE"), a partnership whose general partner is MLGPE Ltd., a wholly-owned subsidiary of ML Global Private Equity Partners, L.P. ("MLGPELP"), whose general partner is Merrill Lynch GP, Inc. ("ML GP"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Merrill Lynch Group, Inc. ("ML Group"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Merrill Lynch & Co., Inc. ("ML&Co."), which is a direct wholly-owned subsidiary of BAC.
- (5) 1,428,571 shares are owned directly by Merrill Lynch Ventures L.P. 2001 ("ML Ventures LP"), a partnership whose general partner is Merrill Lynch Ventures, L.L.C. ("ML Ventures LLC"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of ML Group.
- (6) 8 shares are directly owned by MLPFS.
- (7) No shares are directly owned by MLPFS.
- (8) 400 shares are directly owned by MLPFS.
- (9) 600 shares are directly owned by MLPFS.
- (10) Each of BAC, ML&Co., MLGPE, MLGPE Ltd., MLGPELP, ML GP, ML Group, ML Ventures LP, ML Ventures LLC and MLPFS (collectively, the "Reporting Persons") disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities, except to the extent of its pecuniary interest therein.
- (11) BAC may be deemed a director by virtue of the fact that an employee of an affiliate of BAC, Mandakini Puri, serves as a director of the Issuer. Each of the Reporting Persons disclaims its possible status as director of the Issuer.

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