VALIDUS HOLDINGS LTD Form 8-K February 03, 2015

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): February 3, 2015

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) 98-0501001 (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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Item 8.01 Other Events.

On February 3, 2015, Validus Holdings, Ltd. (the "Company") issued a press release announcing that its Board of Directors has authorized a new common share repurchase program in the amount of \$750 million and also increased its quarterly common share dividend to \$0.32 from \$0.30. The full text of the press release 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 ("Validus Holdings, Ltd. Announces \$750 Million Common Share Repurchase Authorization and 6.7% Increase in Quarterly Common Share Dividend") dated February 3, 2015.

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: February 3, 2015

VALIDUS HOLDINGS, LTD. (Registrant)

By:	/s/ Robert F. Kuzloski
Name:	Robert F. Kuzloski
Title:	Executive Vice President and General Counsel