

PRIMUS GUARANTY LTD
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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 *
Claiden Richard

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O PRIMUS ASSET
MANAGEMENT, INC., 360
MADISON AVENUE, 23RD
FLOOR

(Street)

NEW YORK, NY 10017

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
PRIMUS GUARANTY LTD [PRS]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
02/15/2006

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
Chief Financial Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price |
| Common Share, par value \$.08 per share | 02/15/2006 | | A ⁽¹⁾ | | 11,522 | A | (2) 34,020 (3) |
| Common Share, par value \$.08 per share | 02/15/2006 | | A ⁽⁴⁾ | | 9,500 | A | (2) 43,520 (3) |

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 Acquired (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) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|
| Options to Purchase Common Shares | \$ 12.74 | 02/15/2006 | | A | 15,700 | (5) 02/02/2013 | Common Share, par value \$.08 per share | 15,700 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|-------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Claiden Richard C/O PRIMUS ASSET MANAGEMENT, INC. 360 MADISON AVENUE, 23RD FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10017 | | | Chief Financial Officer | |

Signatures

Richard Claiden 02/17/2006

**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) These restricted stock units vest ratably on the first three anniversaries of February 15, 2006. Upon vesting, restricted share units convert to the right to receive common shares of Primus Guaranty, Ltd.
- (2) Not applicable.
- (3) Shares held prior to February 15, 2006 have been calculated on a net basis after withholding tax.
- (4) These common shares vest on December 31, 2008 if, and only if, Primus Guaranty, Ltd. achieves certain performance targets.

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(5) These options vest ratably on the first four anniversaries of February 15, 2006.

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