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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 12, 2009

VALIDUS HOLDINGS, LTD.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Bermuda 001-33606 98-0501001

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

(Commission File Number)

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

19 Par-La-Ville Road, Hamilton, HM 11 Bermuda

(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 May 12, 2009, Validus Holdings, Ltd. issued a press release. The press release is attached to this Current Report on Form 8-K as Exhibit 99.1 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, dated May 12, 2009, entitled Validus Holdings Moves Forward on Three-part Plan to

Expedite Acquisition of IPC Holdings.

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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 12, 2009

VALIDUS HOLDINGS, LTD. (Registrant)

By: /s/ C. Jerome Dill Name: C. Jerome Dill

Title: Executive Vice President & General

Counsel