

**FORM 4****UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

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 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

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 may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Weinstein Stephen Howard</u>  (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>RENAISSANCE HOUSE</u> <u>12 CROW LANE</u>  (Street) <u>PEMBROKE D0 HM 19</u>  (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>RENAISSANCERE HOLDINGS LTD [ RNR ]</u>  3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>05/16/2013</u>  4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>SVP, General Counsel &amp; Secty</u>  6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
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**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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	05/16/2013		M <sup>(1)</sup>		8,232	A	\$45.43	86,190	D	
Common Stock	05/16/2013		F <sup>(1)</sup>		5,824	D	\$88.14	80,366	D	
Common Stock	05/17/2013		S <sup>(2)</sup>		2,408	D	\$88.09 <sup>(3)</sup>	77,958 <sup>(4)</sup>	D	
Common Stock								3,660 <sup>(5)</sup>	I	by Trusts

**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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Non-Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$45.43	05/16/2013		M <sup>(1)</sup>			8,232	05/16/2004	05/16/2013	RNR Common Stock	8,232	\$0.00	0	D	

**Explanation of Responses:**

1. The transactions reported hereby relate to the exercise of employee stock options originally granted to the Reporting Person on May 16, 2003 with a ten year term. The exercise and subsequent sale were each effected on the date of expiry pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the Reporting Person on August 6, 2012.
2. This form reflects the sale of shares which may be deemed to be beneficially owned by the Reporting Person on May 17, 2013. The sale was effected pursuant to a previously disclosed Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the Reporting Person on August 6, 2012.
3. Represents a weighted average sale price; the sales prices ranged from \$88.00 to \$88.31. Upon request, the full sale information regarding the number of shares sold at each price increment will be provided to the Commission, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer.
4. Includes 6,050 shares from prior awards of Performance Shares which will not be earned as the applicable performance conditions were not met, but will remain outstanding under the terms of the Plan until the time vesting requirement is met, at which point the shares will be cancelled.
5. Represents exclusively shares held by two separate trusts for the benefit of each of two minor children of the Reporting Person, respectively (the "Trusts"), which shares may be deemed to be beneficially owned by the Reporting Person.

**Remarks:**Stephen H. Weinstein05/20/2013

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

\* 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).

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