FORM 3

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Wilcox Mark Alexander 2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 03/01/2006			3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol RENAISSANCERE HOLDINGS LTD [RNR]						
(Last) (First) (Middle) RENAISSANCE HOUSE 8-20 EAST BROADWAY			4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify)			5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)			
(Street) PEMBROKE HM 19, BERMUDA (City) (State) (Zip)	_		X Office (give title below) SVP, CAO & Con	below)		Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
	Table I - Noi	n-Derivat	ive Securities Beneficial	ly Owned	,				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)			. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)			. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership nstr. 5)			
Common Stock		9,891(1)	D						
((e Securities Beneficially nts, options, convertible		s)				
Ex		cisable and ate Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise	5. Ownership Form:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)		
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Derivative Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)			
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	03/12/2005 ⁽²⁾	03/12/2014	Common Stock	3,028	53.96	D			
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	03/21/2006 ⁽²⁾	03/12/2015	Common Stock	3,612	49.1	D			
Non-qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	11/04/2006 ⁽²⁾	11/04/2015	Common Stock	16,440	37.51	D			
Non-qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	03/21/2006 ⁽²⁾	03/21/2015	Common Stock	1,840	49.1	D			

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Comprised of 1,627 Common Shares which have vested or vest within 60 days from the date of this statement, and 8,264 Common Shares which have not vested. All of such shares vest ratably in four equal annual installments from the respective dates of grants.
- 2. All of such options vest ratably in four equal annual installments from the respective dates of grants. The Date Exercisable is the first vesting date of each individual option.

<u>/s/ Mark A. Wilcox</u> <u>03/13/2006</u>

** 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 5 (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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