FORM 3

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  Todd Rider Fonner  2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 08/08/2006			3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol RENAISSANCERE HOLDINGS LTD [ RNR ]						
(Last) (First) (Middle) RENAISSANCE HOUSE			Relationship of Reporting Perso (Check all applicable)     Director  Officer (circumstite)	10% Owne	er (Mor	5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)			
8-20 EAST BROADWAY  (Street)			X Officer (give title below) SVP, CRO & 0	Other (spe below) CIO	6. In Appl	Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     X Form filed by One Reporting Person			
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(City) (State) (Zip)									
	Table I - No	n-Derivat	ive Securities Beneficial	ly Owned					
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)			2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownersh Form: Direct or Indirect ( (Instr. 5)	t (D) (Instr. 5)		Beneficial Ownership		
Common stock			38,623(1)	D					
((			e Securities Beneficially ints, options, convertible		s)				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise	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)	03/12/2004 <sup>(2)</sup>	03/12/2014	Common Stock	7,208	53.96	D			
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	05/16/2003 <sup>(2)</sup>	05/16/2013	Common Stock	2,058	45.43	D			
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	03/21/2006 <sup>(2)</sup>	03/21/2016	Common Stock	13,535	42.66	D			
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	01/03/2006 <sup>(2)</sup>	01/03/2016	Common Stock	18,811	44.3	D			
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	11/04/2005 <sup>(2)</sup>	11/04/2015	Common Stock	24,793	37.51	D			
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	03/21/2005 <sup>(2)</sup>	03/21/2015	Common Stock	8,239	49.1	D			
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	05/16/2003 <sup>(2)</sup>	05/16/2013	Common Stock	6,174	45.43	D			
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	11/19/2002 <sup>(2)</sup>	11/19/2012	Common Stock	12,000	39.07	D			
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	08/31/2009 <sup>(3)</sup>	08/31/2014	Common Stock	22,000	74.24	D			

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Comprised of 14,519 Common Shares which have vested and 24,104 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.
- 3. Such options vest in their entirety on the fifth anniversary of date of grant.

<u>/s/ Todd R. Fonner</u> <u>08/10/2006</u>

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

n 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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