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#### FORM 4

#### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

(Last)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* Claiden Richard

(First)

(Middle)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

PRIMUS GUARANTY LTD [PRS]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Check all applicable)

C/O PRIMUS ASSET MANAGEMENT, INC. 360

MADISON AVENUE, 23RD

**FLOOR** 

(Month/Day/Year)

01/28/2010

Director 10% Owner X\_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

CFO & COO

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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(Instr. 4)

NEW YORK, NY 10017

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership

(Instr. 4)

Following Reported

Transaction(s)

(A)

(Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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)

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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 or 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 A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securiti
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou Numb Share
Restricted Stock Units	(1)	01/28/2010		A	119,464	<u>(1)</u>	(2)	Common Shares, par value \$.08 per share	119,
Performance Shares	(3)	01/28/2010		A	51,791	(3)	01/28/2013	Common Shares, par value \$.08 per share	51,7

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Claiden Richard C/O PRIMUS ASSET MANAGEMENT, INC 360 MADISON AVENUE, 23RD FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10017

CFO & COO

## **Signatures**

Vincent B. Tritto, attorney in fact 02/09/2010

\*\*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 one-year anniversaries of January 28, 2010. Upon vesting, each restricted stock unit will convert to one deferred share pursuant to a deferred compensation plan with officers.
- (2) Not applicable.

These performance shares vest according to share price achievement if, during the three years following the grant date, the closing market price of the common shares close at certain price thresholds for 20 trading days during a 30 trading day period. Those price thresholds are: \$4.50 (which would result in 17,263 shares vesting), \$5.50 (which would result in 17,264 shares vesting), and \$6.50 (which would result in 17,264 shares vesting).

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