Curtiss Nancy G Form 4 January 06, 2009

FORM 4

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

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

(Last)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Curtiss Nancy G

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

VIRTUS INVESTMENT PARTNERS, INC. [VRTS]

(First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

> (Month/Day/Year) 01/02/2009

C/O VIRTUS INVESTMENT PARTNERS, INC., 100 PEARL STREET

> (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Head of Operations

10% Owner

Other (specify

Applicable Line)

Director

X_ Officer (give title

Issuer

below)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

HARTFORD, CT 06103

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 3. 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

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

Transaction(s)

Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)

Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

Indirect

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burden hours per

(A)

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

Common Stock, par

value \$0.01 per share

40

By 401(k) Ι (1)

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)

| 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) | Code | | 5. Number of onDerivative 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 Underlying Securitie (Instr. 3 and 4) | |
|---|---|---|---|------|---|---|-----|--|--------------------|---|------------------------|
| | | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amou Numb Shares |
| Restricted Stock Units | (2) | 01/02/2009 | | J | V | 1,529.997 | | (3) | (3) | Common Stock | 1,529 |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 44.59 | 01/02/2009 | | J | V | 2,180 | | <u>(5)</u> | 06/25/2012 | Common Stock | 2,1 |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 31.38 | 01/02/2009 | | J | V | 3,824 | | <u>(7)</u> | 02/13/2018 | Common Stock | 3,8 |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 30.42 | 01/02/2009 | | J | V | 7,266 | | (8) | 03/05/2018 | Common Stock | 7,2 |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Curtiss Nancy G C/O VIRTUS INVESTMENT PARTNERS, INC. 100 PEARL STREET HARTFORD, CT 06103

Head of Operations

Signatures

s/ Kevin J. Carr, Attorney-in-Fact

**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) Information regarding stock equivalents held under the Issuer's Savings and Investment Plan presented as of December 31, 2008.
- (2) The Restricted Stock Units ("RSUs") convert to common stock of the Issuer on a one-for-one basis.

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- (3) These RSUs will cliff vest on February 13, 2011
- These RSUs were previously granted to the Reporting Person under a Phoenix Companies, Inc. ("PNX") equity plan and, in connection
- (4) with the spin-off by PNX of the Issuer, were converted into RSUs of the Issuer in accordance with the Employee Matters Agreement, dated December 18, 2008, between the Issuer and PNX.
- (5) This option is currently vested and exercisable.
 - These options were previously granted to the Reporting Person under a PNX equity plan and, in connection with the spin-off by PNX of
- (6) the Issuer, were converted into options to purchase common stock of the Issuer in accordance with the Employee Matters Agreement, dated December 18, 2008, between the Issuer and PNX.
- (7) This option will vest in one-third increments on February 13, 2009, February 13, 2010, and February 13, 2011.
- (8) This option will vest in one-third increments on March 5, 2009, March 5, 2010, and March 5, 2011.

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