PLATINUM UNDERWRITERS HOLDINGS LTD Form 8-K October 06, 2005

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of Earliest Event Reported):

Platinum Underwriters Holdings, Ltd.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

001-31341

(Commission

File Number)

Bermuda

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

The Belvedere Building, 69 Pitts Bay Road, Pembroke, Bermuda

(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code:

Not Applicable

Former name or former address, if changed since last report

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

[] Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

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[] Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

98-0416483

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

HM 08

(Zip Code)

(441) 295-7195

October 6, 2005

<u>Top of the Form</u> Item 8.01 Other Events.

On October 6, 2005, Platinum Underwriters Holdings, Ltd. issued a press release reporting on the preliminary loss impact of Hurricane Rita. The press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits.

Exhibit 99.1 Press release dated October 6, 2005.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Platinum Underwriters Holdings, Ltd.

October 6, 2005

By: /s/ Michael E. Lombardozzi

Name: Michael E. Lombardozzi Title: Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary

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Press release dated October 6, 2005.

Exhibit No.	Description

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