

PRIMUS GUARANTY LTD
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
TRANSAMERICA LIFE
INSURANCE CO

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O AEGON USA INVESTMENT
MANAGEMENT LLC, 4333
EDGEWOOD ROAD N.E.

(Street)

CEDAR RAPIDS, IA 52499

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

PRIMUS GUARANTY LTD [PRS]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)

01/28/2009

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director 10% Owner
____ Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price |
| Deferred Shares ⁽¹⁾ | 01/28/2009 | | A | | 3,492 | A | \$ 3.58 ⁽¹⁾ |
| Deferred Shares ⁽²⁾ | 01/28/2009 | | A | | 4,296 | A | \$ 2.91 ⁽²⁾ |
| Deferred Shares ⁽³⁾ | 01/28/2009 | | A | | 4,771 | A | \$ 2.62 ⁽³⁾ |
| Deferred Shares | 01/28/2009 | | A | | 10,965 | A | \$ 38,307 ⁽⁵⁾ |

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(2) Includes 4,296 Deferred Shares issued to Thomas Hartlage, as a non-employee director of Primus Guaranty, Ltd., on January 28, 2009, based on the market closing price per common share on June 30, 2008. The Deferred Shares become payable upon completion of Mr. Hartlage's board service. Mr. Hartlage ceded beneficial ownership of such shares to Transamerica Life Insurance Company.

(3) Includes 4,771 Deferred Shares issued to Thomas Hartlage, as a non-employee director of Primus Guaranty, Ltd., on January 28, 2009, based on the market closing price per common share on September 30, 2008. The Deferred Shares become payable upon completion of Mr. Hartlage's board service. Mr. Hartlage ceded beneficial ownership of such shares to Transamerica Life Insurance Company.

(4) Includes 10,965 Deferred Shares issued to Thomas Hartlage, as a non-employee director of Primus Guaranty, Ltd., on January 28, 2009, based on the market closing price per common share on December 31, 2008. The Deferred Shares become payable upon completion of Mr. Hartlage's board service. Mr. Hartlage ceded beneficial ownership of such shares to Transamerica Life Insurance Company.

(5) Excludes 5,582,585 Common Shares, par value \$.08 per share, directly beneficially owned by Transamerica Life Insurance Company.

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