Claiden Richard Form 4 January 31, 2012

## FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

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1(b).

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See Instruction

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

(First)

(Middle)

(Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

PRIMUS GUARANTY LTD [PRSG]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 01/28/2012

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

C/O PRIMUS ASSET MANAGEMENT, INC, 360 MADISON AVENUE, 25TH **FLOOR** 

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

Chief Executive Officer

(Street)

(State)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

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

NEW YORK, NY 10017

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

3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) 5. Amount of Transactionr Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

7. Nature of Indirect Ownership Form: Beneficial Direct (D) Ownership or Indirect (Instr. 4) (I)

(A) Code V Amount

or (D) Price Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Common

\$0.08 per share

(City)

Shares, par value

01/28/2012

17,264 D  $D^{(1)}$ 

394,018

D

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 | 2.  | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) |                      | 4.              | 5.<br>onNumber | 6. Date Exerc       |                    | 7. Titl        |  | 8. Price of Derivative | 9. Nu<br>Deriv  |
|------------------------|---|--------------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------|----------------|---------------------|--------------------|----------------|--|------------------------|---|
| Security<br>(Instr. 3) | Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | (Month/Day/Tear)                     | any (Month/Day/Year) | Code (Instr. 8) | of             |                     |                    | Under<br>Secur | rlying                                 | Security (Instr. 5)    | Secur<br>Bene<br>Owne<br>Follo<br>Repo<br>Trans<br>(Instr |
|                        |   |                                      |                      | Code V          | (A) (D)        | Date<br>Exercisable | Expiration<br>Date | Title          | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares |                        |   |

## **Reporting Owners**

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships |
|--------------------------------|---------------|
|                                |               |

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Claiden Richard C/O PRIMUS ASSET MANAGEMENT, INC 360 MADISON AVENUE, 25TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10017

X

Chief Executive Officer

## **Signatures**

Vincent B. Tritto, attorney-in-fact

01/31/2012

\*\*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).

On January 28, 2012, the Reporting Person's right to receive 17,264 shares of the Issuer's Common Shares, par value \$0.08 per share (1) ("Common Shares") under a prior grant of restricted stock units vested. The Reporting Person elected to receive an amount of cash per share equal to a weighted average price of the Common Shares on the OTC Pink on the last trading day prior to the vesting date.

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