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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person \* Statement ASSURED GUARANTY LTD [AGO] WL ROSS & CO LLC (Month/Day/Year) 02/28/2008 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 1166 AVENUE OF THE (Check all applicable) **AMERICAS** (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group \_X\_\_ 10% Owner Director Officer Other Filing(Check Applicable Line) (give title below) (specify below) Form filed by One Reporting Person NEW YORK, NYÂ 10036 \_X\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) See Remarks (1) (2) (3) (4) (5) (6) Common Stock 12,166,396 I Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
		Title	Security	Direct (D)	

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Date Expiration Amount or or Indirect Exercisable Date Number of (I) Shares (Instr. 5)

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address		Relationships				
Reporting Owner Name / Pauress	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
WL ROSS & CO LLC 1166 AVENUE OF THE AMERICA NEW YORK, NY 10036	S Â	ÂX	Â	Â		
WLR Recovery Fund IV LP 1166 AVENUE OF THE AMERICA NEW YORK, NY 10036	S Â	ÂX	Â	Â		
WLR RECOVERY FUND III LP 1166 AVENUE OF THE AMERICA NEW YORK, NY 10036	.S Â	ÂX	Â	Â		
WLR IV PARALLEL ESC LP 1166 AVENUE OF THE AMERICA NEW YORK, NY 10036	.S Â	ÂX	Â	Â		
INVESCO WLR IV Associates LLC 1166 AVENUE OF THE AMERICA NEW YORK, NY 10036	.S Â	ÂX	Â	Â		
WLR Recovery Associates III LLC 1166 AVENUE OF THE AMERICA NEW YORK, NY 10036	S Â	ÂX	Â	Â		
WLR Recovery Associates IV LLC 1166 AVENUE OF THE AMERICA NEW YORK, NY 10036	S Â	ÂX	Â	Â		
ROSS WILBUR L JR 1166 AVENUE OF THE AMERICA NEW YORK, NY 10036	.S Â	ÂX	Â	Â		

## **Signatures**

/s/ Wilbur L. Ross, Jr., its Managing Member for WL ROSS & CO. LLC		
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date	
/s/ Wilbur L. Ross, Jr., its Managing Member, WLR Recovery Associates IV LLC, its General Partner for WLR RECOVERY FUND IV, L.P.		
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date	
/s/ Wilbur L. Ross, Jr., its Managing Member, WLR Recovery Associates IV LLC, its General Partner for WLR RECOVERY FUND III, L.P.		
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date	
/s/ Wilbur L. Ross, Jr., its Chief Executive Officer, INVESCO WLR IV Associates LLC, its General Partner, INVESCO Private Capital, Inc., its Managing Member for WLR IV	03/10/2008	

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#### PARALLEL ESC, L.P.

**Signature of Reporting Person	Date		
/s/ Wilbur L. Ross, Jr., its Chief Executive Officer, INVESCO Private Capital, Inc, its Managing Member for INVESCO WLR IV ASSOCIATES LLC	03/10/2008		
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date		
/s/ Wilbur L. Ross, Jr., its Managing Member for WLR RECOVERY ASSOCIATES III LLC	03/10/2008		
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date		
/s/ Wilbur L. Ross, Jr., its Managing Member for WLR RECOVERY ASSOCIATES IV LLC			
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date		
/s/ Wilbur L. Ross, Jr.	03/10/2008		
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date		

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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).

Subject to the satisfaction of certain conditions, including the receipt of required regulatory approvals and the expiration or termination of the waiting period under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act, WLR Recovery Fund IV, L.P. ("Fund IV") has agreed to

- (1) acquire 10,651,896 shares of common stock pursuant to an Investment Agreement, dated as of February 28, 2008, between Assured Guaranty Ltd. ("AGO") and Fund IV (the "Investment Agreement") in exchange for cash consideration in the amount of \$250,000,000. Fund IV currently anticipates that the issuance of the shares pursuant to the Investment Agreement will occur within 60 days of February 28, 2008. Prior to closing the transaction, Fund IV does not actually own the shares.
- WLR Recovery Associates IV LLC is the general partner and WL Ross & Co. LLC is the investment manager of WLR Recovery Fund IV, L.P. ("Fund IV"). Wilbur L. Ross, Jr. is the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of WL Ross & Co. LLC and the managing member of WLR Recovery Associates IV LLC. Accordingly, WL Ross & Co. LLC, WLR Recovery Associates IV LLC and Wilbur L. Ross, Jr. can be deemed to share voting and dispositive power over the shares to be held by Fund IV.
- WLR Recovery Fund III, L.P. is the beneficial owner of 130,300 shares of common stock acquired prior to the execution of the (3) Investment Agreement and can be deemed to share voting and dispositive power of an additional 1,384,200 shares that are owned by WLR Recovery Fund IV, L.P. and WLR IV Parallel ESC, L.P., affiliates of the Reporting Person.
- WLR Recovery Associates III LLC is the general partner and WL Ross & Co. LLC is the investment manager of WLR Recovery Fund III, L.P. ("Fund III"). Wilbur L. Ross, Jr. is the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of WL Ross & Co. LLC and the managing member of WLR Recovery Associates III LLC. Accordingly, WL Ross & Co. LLC, WLR Recovery Associates III LLC and Wilbur L. Ross, Jr. can be deemed to share voting and dispositive power over the shares to be held directly by Fund III.
- WLR IV Parallel ESC, L.P. is the beneficial owner of 4,800 shares of common stock acquired prior to the execution of the Investment (5) Agreement and can be deemed to share voting and dispositive power of an additional 1,509,700 shares that are owned by WLR Recovery Fund III, L.P. and WLR Recovery Fund IV, L.P., affiliates of the Reporting Person.
- INVESCO WLR IV Associates LLC is the general partner and INVESCO Private Capital, Inc. is the managing member of WLR IV
  Parallel ESC, L.P. ("Parallel Fund"). INVESCO Private Capital, Inc. has agreed to vote in parallel to WLR Recovery Fund III, L.P. and
  WLR Recovery Fund IV, L.P. Accordingly, INVESCO WLR IV Associates LLC, INVESCO Private Capital, Inc. and Wilbur L. Ross, Jr.
  can be deemed to share beneficial ownership over the shares to be held directly by Parallel Fund.

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